

# The Garth Ministry Area

England & Wales · Charity number 1132144

## Details

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**Other names** RADYR PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

**Status** Registered

**Legal form** Other

**Registered** 2009-10-16

**Register** [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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## Activities

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**Objects:** The promotion of the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical, in the parish.

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## Classification

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- **How:** Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** Religious Activities
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

## Geography

- **Area of benefit:** UNDEFINED. IN PRACTICE, LOCAL
- Cardiff

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£345,211	£390,150	-	-
2023-12-31	£324,939	£327,294	-	-
2022-12-31	£301,923	£360,716	-	-
2021-12-31	£109,679	£112,243	-	-
2020-12-31	£111,607	£99,058	-	-

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Amanda Barbara Russell-Jones		2020-11-11
Dr Robert Paul Owens		2022-01-23
GEOFFREY IAN MOSES		2022-01-23
Jane Williams		2025-05-21
John Smalley Kiff		2019-04-14
Linda Davies		2025-05-21
Margaret Enlli Jones		2022-01-23
Michael Gill		2022-01-23
Michael John Edwards		2022-01-23
Rev Edward Owen		2024-09-12
Rev Mary Evans		2024-09-12
Rev Ruth Coombs		2022-08-05
Rev Sandra Hazel Birdsall		2022-07-24
Ruth Davies		2023-06-25

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# Accounts

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## Structure and governance

The Benefice of The Garth Ministry Area is situated in the communities of Capel Llanilltern, Creigiau, Danescourt, Groes Faen, Pentyrch, Radyr, St Fagans, Taffs Well and Tongwynlais, all situated in or to the North and North West of Cardiff.

The Ministry Area is within the Deanery of Cardiff, part of the Diocese of Llandaff and within the Church in Wales.

The dedication of the Ministry Area for the year under review and their locations are:

Christ Church	Radyr, Cardiff
Creigiau Church Hall	Creigiau
St Catwg	Pentyrch
St David	Groes Faen
St Ellteyrn	Capel Llanilltern
St John Baptist	Danescourt, Cardiff
St James	Taffs Well
St Mary	St Fagans
St Michael	Tongwynlais

It is the responsibility of both the Ministry Area Council ("MAC") and the Incumbents to work together and co-operate in all matters of concern and importance to the Ministry Area for the promotion of the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical.

The appointed clergy are:

Reverend SH Birdsall	<i>Vicar and Ministry Area leader</i>
Reverend M Evans	<i>Vicar appointed 12 September 2024</i>
Father E Owen	<i>Vicar appointed 12 September 2024</i>
Reverend R Coombs	<i>Vicar</i>
Reverend BJ Huxtable-Goy	<i>Curate resigned 31 March 2024</i>

The principal address of the charity:

- The Rectory, Rectory Close, Radyr, Cardiff CF15 8EW

Independent Examiner:

- Mr Robert Hugh, Robert Hugh Ltd, 15 Dan y Bryn Avenue, Radyr, Cardiff CF15 8DD

Bankers:

- The Cooperative Bank, PO Box 250, Skelmersdale, Lancashire, WN8 6WT
- Natwest Bank

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The trustees, who are also members of the Ministry Area Council ("MAC"), during the financial year were as follows.

<b>Name</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Date of appointment or resignation</b>
Reverend Sandra Birdsall	Vicar and Ministry Area Leader	
Reverend Mary Evans	Vicar	Appointed 12 September 2024
Father Edward Owen	Vicar	Appointed 12 September 2024
Reverend Ruth Coombs	Vicar	
Reverend Belinda Huxtable-Goy	Curate	Resigned 31 March 2024
John Kiff	Ministry Area Lay Chair	
Paul Marshall	Ministry Area Warden	Retired June 2024
Ruth Davies	Ministry Area Warden	
Geoffrey Moses	Ministry Area Warden	
Michael Gill	Ministry Area Treasurer	
Amanda Russell-Jones	Elected Member	
Michael Edwards	Elected Member	
Rosalind James	Elected Member	
Margaret Jones	Elected Member	
Paul Owens	Elected Member	

The charity is an unincorporated entity but is registered with the Charity Commission for England & Wales, registered number 1132144.

The charity is governed by the Constitution of the Church In Wales adopted on 31 March 2020.

The charity is under the control of the Trustees who meet periodically under the title of a "Ministry Area Council ("MAC")" which held five meetings during the year under review.

The principal role of the MAC is to provide a strategic overview of the charity with day to day management being delegated to nominated individuals for Ministry Area matters or a group of church members for the maintenance of services and buildings for each church or hall. Reports from individual officers and church wardens on behalf of each church are given later in this document.

In addition to the MAC there is an Executive Committee comprising the clergy, Ministry Area Wardens and Ministry Area Treasurer. The Committee is authorised to meet in-between full MAC meetings to deal with matters arising on a timely basis.

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## MAC Vision and Strategy

The MAC has the following 10 year Vision and Strategy which it is now implementing. At each MAC the Strategic Action Teams (**SATs**) report and a Program Milestone Chart is reviewed.

### Background / Issue:

- Steady decline in membership
- **We are failing in our mission.**
- We need a motivating **vision** of what we want & need to be.
- We need a strategy to get there.

### Our 'Big Gaps' (as an MA)

- 1) **Not growing in existing communities and**
- 2) **Not present in our new communities (Plasdwr etc.)**

### Our Overall Vision (where we want to get to / what we want to 'look like' as a MA)

**We are flourishing, active in all our communities, and confident about using our words and actions to share the love of God to all.**

### Root Causes of our Gaps (things that we can address to close our gaps)

- A. Not replacing ageing (increasingly less active) congregation members.
- B. Not effective in attracting all generations / life-stages.
- C. Experience of church (in all its aspects) not sufficiently meaningful/relevant.
- D. Not good at articulating/defending our faith effectively to others.
- E. Insufficiently active/visible in our communities – especially Plasdwr.
- F. Volunteering decreasing so expectations of clergy are becoming greater.

### Our Key Strategic Actions

No	Root Cause Letter	Key Strategic Actions	Who will Lead
		Aim for 'Belonging before Believing' in each	
1.	<b>E</b>	Establish a welcoming Christian presence, worship & activity in the new communities in the MA	Fr. Edward Owen & Amanda Russell-Jones
2.	<b>A, B, C</b>	Establish friendly, accessible worship and activities that appeal to all generations, young families and children – with follow-up	Ruth Davies and Rev Mary Evans
3.	<b>C, D</b>	Communicate what we do and why we do it and our own faith stories, meaningfully – online, in our buildings and via activities and services	Ros James and Fr. Edward Owen
4.	<b>D, F</b>	Grow each of our abilities to articulate our faith effectively to others (Telling the Joyful Story)	Rev Mary Evans and John Kiff
5	<b>C, E, F</b>	Grow and develop new leaders to collaborate with the clergy, and engaging <b>all</b> our people in having <b>a role</b> in the life of the church and in achieving our Vision	Rev. Sandra Birdsall and Geoff Moses
6	<b>E</b>	Be always active in campaigning and acting against injustice. Take action to continually reduce the impact of our buildings and activities on creation	Rev Ruth Coombs and Rev Sandra Birdsall



## Safeguarding Officer's Report

### Safeguarding is Everyone's Responsibility

The Church in Wales aims to create and maintain an organisational culture that reflects the importance of safeguarding. The welfare of children and adults at risk is paramount and takes precedence over all other considerations.

Just as Jesus is the ultimate refuge and place of safety, as His representative on earth we are called to 'embody' Him. Safeguarding is part of our core faith and an integral feature of Christian life in our churches across the Garth Ministry Area.

Safeguarding means preventing harm to children and adults at risk by protecting them from abuse or neglect. The Church in Wales is committed to safeguarding as an integral part of its life, mission and ministry. Within the Garth Ministry Area we uphold the Church in Wales aims to:

- promote the wellbeing of children and adults at risk;
- raise awareness of safeguarding within the Church;
- work to prevent abuse or harm from occurring;
- seek to protect and respond well to those that have been abused.

To make the policies and procedures more accessible to all members of the church community, the Church in Wales has reviewed and updated all of them and made them available for everyone on the Church in Wales website.

<https://www.churchinwales.org.uk/en/clergy-and-members/safeguarding/>

As a Ministry Area we have formally adopted this policy and its associated procedures.

We promote the completion of safeguarding training for all within our churches. This includes the Church in Wales 'Core Learning Pathways' which provide a range of safeguarding learning developed to build knowledge according to role and responsibility. Additional learning modules have been developed to enhance safeguarding knowledge on particular subject areas, or for specific roles, and these are undertaken where required. Work will continue to ensure that all those who require training for their voluntary roles within our churches complete the required modules as swiftly as possible

The data below identifies our current position. It is worth noting that for many on our dashboard, training has previously been undertaken but, as training is only valid for three years many of our volunteers are now in the position of needing to revisit modules.

Training completed within the last three years.	Module A	39
	Module B	44
	Module C	11
Training required for role but not yet completed / retraining required as training is outside of the last three years.	Module A	50
	Module B	40
	Module C	4

*Safeguarding Officer: Ceri Thomas Date: 8 May 2025*



## Digital Communications Team Report

The Digital Communications Team (DCT) is responsible for the management of The Garth Ministry Area (TGMA) communications, and for the development and maintenance of TGMA's website and social media. In addition, it is responsible for the creation of a TGMA SharePoint site which facilitates secure storage for Clergy and sensitive information.

In 2023, DCT was merged with a strategy group Garth Connect. The broad purpose of Garth Connect is to be a 'forward looking' team, determining how we can reach out to and influence our stakeholders (e.g. worshippers, church committees etc) and determining the most suitable communications channels necessary, to ensure that appropriate messages are conveyed at the appropriate time. Garth Connect is proactive in approaching specific organisations and churches who have more experience than we have, with a view to building up our knowledge and experience in how to "spread the joyful news" and reaching the people we want to attract into our churches. Regular reports are provided to each Ministry Area Council (MAC) meeting.

### 1. Website

1.1 Our website <https://garthma.wales/> was launched on 22 August 2023 and hosts a Calendar with up-to-date details of services and events from across the Ministry Area (MA). Should people need to drill down into the detail of any church, individual Church and Hall pages exist, showing activities pertinent to that location.

1.2 The website also contains a News reel from a drop-down menu, and this provides an insight into the life of the MA and its many activities. A TGMA logo was developed together with individual ones for each church and hall which has helped build recognition of the MA. A Style Guide was created detailing usage of the logo(s) and colour combinations to be utilised.

1.3 Since September 2023, we have had over 28,000 sessions on our website. In the month of April 2025, we saw 754 active users of which 700 are recorded as "new" to the site during that month. Of the sessions those users undertook on our site, 580 were referred from an organic search (direct from a search engine looking for a relevant term), 364 came direct (e.g. by typing the URL or following something that wasn't easily traceable) and 47 came from a referral link. We had 2,200 recorded page views.

### 2. Storage

2.1 A single storage area to facilitate collaborative working across the MA has been created using SharePoint. This facilitates cross-MA working (e.g. if someone was called away unexpectedly). The storage area complies with the UK's GDPR (General Data Protection Regulation) requirements, as it has secure areas for sensitive information. The MAC has assigned a GDPR Officer to oversee the regulations. The storage is currently being rolled out across the MA.

2.2 In addition to the storage, DCT made the decision to limit the use of emails to Church in Wales addresses and had that decision ratified by MAC. We are moving away from the use of personal emails for key officers within our churches. Email addresses have become more role based and actual names of people removed (e.g. [churchwarden@stcatwgs.co.uk](mailto:churchwarden@stcatwgs.co.uk)). For people not used to logging in to facilities such as SharePoint, full training is being given. We have completed well over 50% of the roll out which is continuing.

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### 3. Social Media & Sway

3.1 **Social Media** - We now have a small team of volunteers responsible for updating our social media. We utilise Facebook, X, BlueSky and Mastodon. The number of 'Followers' is growing but we recognise we need to do more in this area.

3.2 **Sway** – Sways tend to be created every 6-8 weeks, giving an insight into what has happened across the MA and what events will be happening soon. To date there have been 10 Editions of our Sway "Joyful Noise". Since the launch of the first Sway on 30 January 2024, 6,502 people have read the online newsletters. The latest edition 10 can be found here: <https://sway.cloud.microsoft/Zmk3MmCJBsp0OX2S?ref=Link>

*Chair of Digital Communications Team: Ros James Date: 10 May 2025*



## Objectives and Activities

The principal objective of the charity is the promotion of the mission of the church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical in the Ministry Area. Individual Church Reports detailing the activities undertaken in respect of the above are as follows:

### **Christ Church Radyr**

#### **1. Activities Progressing the Vision and Strategy**

- Christ Church is open every day for private prayer.
- Live streaming on YouTube of 11.00 a.m. Sunday services, with an average of 50 views over the week.
- Streaming of weddings, funerals and baptisms when required.
- 4 Weddings, 7 Baptisms, 7 Funerals, and one service of Thanksgiving.
- Special services including Licensing, All Souls, Civic Service, Radyr Comprehensive School Armistice service, Mothers' Union "Behind Closed Doors", World Day of Prayer, Bell Ringers, DBF Staff.
- Christmas Services.
- Other activities including Sunday Club, Mothers' Union, Choir, Bell Ringers, Advent talks, Lent Talks, Bible Study, Faith Courses.
- On Going: Collecting for Food Bank, Spectacle collection for Cardiff Lions Club, Warm Coats for Rotary Club in the Autumn.

#### **2. Social Activities in the Community**

- Shrove Tuesday Quiz.
- Lent Lunches.
- Family Fun Day.
- Get Ready for Christmas.
- Refreshments after every service.
- Bring and Share lunches.
- 6 Charity Concerts.
- Visiting bell ringers to ring Christ Church Bells.
- Primary School visits to the Church.
- Use of New School Rooms for Parties, meetings and Classes.

#### **3. Plans for the coming Year**

- We will endeavour to build on everything we have done this year.

Warden Name: *Rubina Davison*      Date: *24<sup>th</sup> April 2025*



## ***St Catwg's Church, Pentyrch. Warden's Report***

### **1. Activities Progressing the Vision and Strategy**

- Father Edward Owen joined the MA Clergy Team in September 2024 as vicar for the 3 Pentyrch Churches Group. (SATs: -Garth Plasdwr, Garth Worship for All, Garth Connect, Leadership).
- Father Edward re-established the mid-week eucharist (SAT - Garth Worship for All).
- Father Edward carrying out termly assemblies in Pentyrch Primary School (Strategy Action Team - Garth Worship for All).
- Many of our congregation continue to support our Messy Church held in Creigiâu Church Hall (SAT - Garth Plasdwr, Garth Worship for All).
- Two more of our congregation have joined MA Action Teams to help drive the MA Vision & Strategy forward (SAT - Garth Plasdwr (JL), Garth Social Justice (PK)).
- 4 members of our congregation were confirmed by Bishop Mary on 4th May '25 (SAT - Garth Story Tell).
- Members of our congregation worshiped across the MA during Easter this year (SAT - Garth Story Tell).
- St Catwg's Church continues to use Fairtrade Produce, i.e. coffee, tea, sugar. Recycling bins are used within the church as are compostable cups. (SAT – Garth Social Justice).
- Father Edward and Ruth Davies ran each day during Lent to raise money for WaterAid raising £1,749.53, plus on-going WaterAid donations. (SAT – Garth Social Justice).
- Members of our congregation have attended courses run by the MA; Alpha Course, Lent Discussion Groups, Acts Course. (SAT - Garth Story Tell).
- Congregational support for those that are ill or bereaved, e.g. home communion, visits, lift sharing, joint social support groups. (SAT - Garth Worship for All)
- Increased numbers in the congregation at Christmas and Easter (SAT - Garth Worship for All).
- The north wall has been re-pointed, had new lime render and been decorated. (SAT - Garth Worship for All, Garth Social Justice).

### **2. Social Activities in the Community**

- Coffee served after each Sunday & weekday service.
- Weekly quiz continues on Zoom. This was established during lockdown.
- Quizzes, St David's lunch, Harvest supper, Advent Lunch etc., all held jointly with the other Pentyrch churches group.
- Concerts held in St Catwg's include Sine Nomine, Gymanfa Ganu, Pentyrch Primary School.
- 20 members of the congregation marshalled on the Pentyrch Hill Race on 29th April
- Jointly help to run a Christian Aid Coffee Morning.

### **3. Plans for the Coming Year**

- Follow up on anything raised from the Archdeacons Visitation in April 2025
- Open the church for the Pentyrch Open Gardens Weekend, 4th and 5th July 2025.
- Local Primary School Carol Service and Village Carol Service, December 2025;
- Tree and grave inspections.
- Quinquennial Inspection.

*Warden Name: Gill Stevens*

*Date: 28<sup>th</sup> April 2025*



## ***St David's, Groesfaen. Warden's Report***

### **1. Activities Progressing the Vision and Strategy**

- Detail of the Vision and Strategy are displayed as requested and people are aware of the working groups and request for volunteers.
- A number of our congregation attended the Alpha course in Creigiau and were more recently involved in the Bible studies course as well.
- Members of the congregation have continued to attend and enjoy the Advent and Lent courses run by Rev Lindsay.
- Members of the congregation actively volunteered to deliver the MAC produced leaflets detailing the Easter 2025 services in Holy Week.

### **2. Activities Progressing the Vision and Strategy**

- During 2024 members of the congregation both led and supported the monthly Community Market in Creigiau. Unfortunately, due to a variety of issues a decision was taken to discontinue the Community Market in 2025.
- Congregation members continue to support and participate in running Messy Church.
- Members of the congregation actively participate in the Pentyrch Churches Social Committee which organises a range of activities in support of the Pentyrch group of churches.
- St David's is used on a monthly basis by the local Gwyrdd community group for coffee mornings and is also used for occasional concerts throughout the year.
- The church supports the village annual Remembrance service, member of the congregation also providing refreshments following the service.
- The church was used for as a polling station for the General Election and will be used in 2026 for the Senedd elections.

### **3. Plans for the Coming Year**

- To continue as above.

*Warden Name: Andrew Heylin*

*Date: 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2025*



### ***St Ellteyrn's, Capel Llanilltern***

#### **1. Activities Progressing the Vision and Strategy.**

- St. Ellteyrn's is a small church in the expanding village of Capel Llanilltern.
- We have a small but loyal congregation who enjoy the fellowship that our church has to offer. However we also see the need to encourage new members and are hoping that the new housing estate nearby will attract new people to our church.
- At Christmas we delivered leaflets with information about our services and were encouraged by welcoming some new people.
- At Easter we again delivered leaflets with information about the many services available but unfortunately no one came from the nearby estate.
- However, our church has a time-lock and is open every day and it is encouraging to see people calling in and are often surprised that we still hold regular services.

#### **2. Social Activities in the Community**

- At the moment our social activities are in conjunction with St. David's Church and St. Catwg's Church as we do not have toilet facilities.
- However we often meet after the service to have a coffee etc and a chat.
- After special services such as Easter and Christmas we always offer refreshments and a chance to socialise. These occasions are always welcomed.
- Our intentions are to hold regular coffee mornings and social occasions as soon as the hall is refurbished. In the past we held very successful events such as Afternoon teas and we would like to resume these type of events.

#### **3. Plans for the coming year**

- As yet we have not had an update on the development of the field adjacent to the Church Hall. Hopefully a decision will be made very soon so that we can put our plans for refurbishment into action. We will continue to try to attract new members to our congregation by reaching out in various ways.

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*Warden Name: Linda Davies Date: 30<sup>th</sup> April 2025*



## ***St John's Church Danescourt***

### **1. Activities Progressing the Vision and Strategy**

- Making sure all Church activities and Services are advertised appropriately so that they are accessible to all.
- Ensuring we welcome and engage with any new faces in our Church Services so that they feel comfortable and part of our fellowship.
- Taking action to support those less fortunate than ourselves eg food bank collections, Christian Aid events, Wales Air Ambulance, contributions to local school appeals.
- Inviting the children and staff of Danescourt Primary School to Church at various times of the year. Regularly visiting the local school for assemblies etc.
- Inviting the parents of the school children to Church to see their childrens' decorated Christmas Trees and providing refreshments.

### **2. Social activities in the Community**

- We show our faith in action through:
  - Providing a safe and friendly Baby and Toddler group – ensuring parents, grandparents, carers and children feel welcomed.
  - Providing an inclusive coffee morning where everyone in the community is welcome for coffee, tea, cakes and an opportunity to chat and meet new friends.
  - We hold at least 2 or 3 social activities a year which are very well attended by the local community of Danescourt, e.g. A Strawberry Tea in June, St Davids Day soup lunch.
- All proceeds from these activities go to various charities. e.g. Christian Aid, Wales Air Ambulance, local school.

### **3.Plans for the Coming Year**

- We plan to maintain and build upon all our links with our local community ensuring that we show the love of Jesus to all.

*Warden Name: Cheryl Evans Date: 4<sup>th</sup> April 2025*



## ***St Mary's Church, St Fagans***

### **1. Activities Progressing the Vision and Strategy**

- St Mary's open every day for private prayer
- Strong links maintained with St Fagans Church in Wales Primary School, which has included regular assemblies, and two whole school Eucharists.
- Four of the Governors at St Fagans Church in Wales Primary School regularly attend services at St Mary's Church.
- Monthly 'All Age' worship continues at St Mary's with a variety of Eucharist and Non-Eucharist services, in which young people (Junior Church) participate.
- A 'Welcome' banner has been placed on the church boundary wall in an attempt to attract more people to attend church on a regular basis.
- A 'leaflet' was produced by St Mary's and circulated to local residents to try and increase attendance numbers at church services.

### **2. Social Activities in the Community**

- An active Social Committee organises a range of fundraising activities, including Summer & Winter Fairs, skittle events and quizzes, to raise funds for the church, as well as raising the profile of the church in the local community.
- An annual 'Harvest Supper' is held in the local village hall.
- A social event is also held annually in the local village hall following the Nine Lessons & Carols Service.
- Support local Food Banks

### **3. Plans for the Coming Year**

- Investigate ways of increasing income levels :
  - by encouraging use of the 'Direct Giving' Scheme
  - introduce a 'card reader' at St Mary's
- Review/update various church policy documents
- Revisit plans to install a 'Kitchenette' in the church in conjunction with the local Community Council
- Build on everything we have done in 2024

*Warden Name: Phil Watkins Date: 11<sup>th</sup> April 2025*



### ***St. Mary & St James, Taffs Well***

#### **1. Activities Progressing the Vision and Strategy**

- Engaging with the local community whenever and wherever possible.
- Using regular newsletters, posters and leaflets in local businesses and on social media to advertise activities.
- Making the church building and church gardens a place for the wider community to utilise and enjoy.
- Engaging with local businesses, other churches and local groups.
- Making improvements to the church to make it more accessible to all.

#### **2. Social Activities in the Community**

- Regular quiz nights and game nights.
- Afternoon teas in the church gardens.
- Stand-alone social events and social gatherings following services.
- Songs of Praise, Pet blessings.

#### **3. Plans for the Coming Year**

Currently we are having plans drawn up and applying for grants to make improvements and alterations to the church to make our space more accessible and available to our local community. It will enable us to organise and offer a wider variety of events and engage further with our local churches, community organisations, businesses and residents of all ages.

Our plans for the year so far include:

- May - VE Day celebration, Bring & Share Lunch.
- July – Feast of St. James Fish and Chip Supper & Quiz.
- August – Songs of Praise followed by Bring & Share Lunch.
- September - Fun night, Quiz and Games.
- October – Harvest Festival & Pet Blessing...Supporting Hope Rescue.
- October - Bread Making (making harvest loaves).
- December – Quiz night with Christmas hits singalong.
- December - Service of light/ Carols by Candlelight.

*Warden Name: Jayne Smith Date: 28<sup>th</sup> April 2025*



### ***St Michael and All Angels Church, Tongwynlais***

#### **• Activities Progressing the Vision and Strategy**

- Collection of second hand coats via a Rotary Club for asylum seekers.
- The All Age monthly services continue and on one occasion we were joined by Aion Baptist Church, whose members took part in the readings and prayers.
- At Harvest we donated the produce to the Food Bank.
- Tongwynlais Junior School visited the church to decorate Christmas trees and the Reverend Sandra told them the Nativity Story.
- Once again the Christingle Service was well supported by the local community.
- A joint service was held with Aion Baptist Church in the grounds of St Michael's to celebrate Pentecost.
- Joint Carol Service at Aion Baptist Church followed by refreshments.
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#### **• Social Activities in the Community**

- Church Hall used by local groups including Yoga, Tai Chi, Beavers, The Orange Order and Castell Coch Choir.
- Ladies' Circle hold a monthly meeting
- As part of the Tongwynlais and Whitchurch Festival a pensioners' tea party was held in the hall organised by the Ladies' Circle.
- Monthly Gardening Club is open to the local community.
- Fayres were held in the summer and Advent which were supported by the church members and the local community.
- A quiz, with cheese and wine, was held to celebrate St David's Day.
- Lent Lunches were held and the money raised was donated to the charity
- "Embrace the Middle East" with which a member of our congregation has close connections.

#### **• Plans for the coming Year**

- Address the issues raised in the Quinquennial Inspection.
- Investigate the installation of WiFi.
- Planning for 150th anniversary in 2027.

*Warden Name:*            *Gaynor Edwards*            *Date: 6<sup>th</sup> April 2025*

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## ***Creigiau Church Hall***

### **1. Activities Progressing the Vision and Strategy**

- Monthly service of informal worship
- Monthly Messy Church
- Monthly Good News coffee morning
- Creigiau Companions every other week

The social committee of the three churches arrange approximately 8 events a year which are held in the hall and are well attended.

### **2. Social Activities in the Community**

- The hall continues to be widely used by local groups and associations (12) on a weekly basis.
- It is a popular venue for parties, fund raising events and concerts held in our community.
- Creigiau 23 have a Christmas grotto in the hall on Christmas Eve for the children of our community.
- The Hall is used as a local polling station.
- There are plans to start a toddler group every other Friday morning.

### **3. Plans for the Coming Year**

- The hall has had repair to internal ceiling tiles and internal plastering and painting in the main hall. We hope to sand down and paint both toilets in the summer.

*Booking Secretary: Mary Davies      Date: 5<sup>th</sup> April 2025*

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### ***Christ Church New School Rooms, Radyr***

#### **1. Activities Progressing the Vision and Strategy**

- Central to village, attached to Christ Church but also with independent access.
- Well used by the Church – Sunday Club, Mothers' Union - and as a location for many community groups.
- The upstairs room continues to be used as a Diocesan Hub.

#### **2. Social Activities in the Community**

- Popular venue for children's parties and other one-off events.
- Regular church activities – Sunday Lunches, Summer Fun Day, Get Ready for Christmas, Shrove Tuesday Quiz Night (in aid of Christian Aid).
- Six weeks of Lent Lunches in aid of Christian Aid.
- Regular use by 'Friday with Friends' and 'Goldies'.
- Various events during Radyr & Morganstown Festival in May.

#### **3. Plans for the Coming Year**

- No specific plans other than regular maintenance and housekeeping.
- An effort be made to find a replacement Bookings Secretary.

*Booking Secretary: Nicky Webber      Date: 28<sup>th</sup> April 2025*

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### ***St. John's Church Hall, Danescourt***

#### **1. Activities Progressing the Vision and Strategy**

- Well situated, well used presence in Danescourt available for use by the community as well as church groups, as there are minimal alternative locations available for hire
- Church Sunday Club welcomes youngsters in the community.

#### **2. Social Activities in the Community**

- The Hall is used extensively by local groups and associations (14)
- Popular venue for children's parties and other one-off events
- Church-run fortnightly Baby and Toddlers Group
- Church-run fortnightly Coffee Morning
- Three Church-run Charity Fundraising events in March, June and September
- Community Quiz Night organised by St. John's
- The Hall is used as a local polling station

#### **3. Plans for the Coming Year**

- Seek alternative afternoon hires to replace the After School Club, which has ended its association with the Hall after fourteen years
- Review the method of Hall heating following a recent energy audit
- Deep clean and reseal the Hall floor
- Decorate the main hall, kitchen, bathrooms and storeroom (mainly in-house)

*Management Team representative: Malcolm May Date:26<sup>th</sup> April 2025*

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### ***St Michael and All Angels Church Hall, Tongwynlais***

#### **1. Activities Progressing the Vision and Strategy**

- No matters to report.

#### **2. Social Activities in the Community**

- The hall in Tongwynlais is used by the following groups:
- Castell Coch Choir for practice on a Monday evening and perform two concerts per year in the Church, one at Easter time and the other just before Christmas.
- The Beavers use the hall early Monday evening during school term time.
- A Tai-Chi group meets on a Thursday evening.
- A Yoga group meets on a Saturday morning.
- The following use the hall once a month: Ladies Circle, Orange Order, Gardening Group
- There is possibility that Scouts will use the hall in the future.

#### **3. Plans for the Coming Year**

- To continue promoting the hall for use by the Church and local groups.
- To review and implement any relevant recommendations from the recent quinquennial inspection.

*Warden Name: Michael Edwards      Date: 6<sup>th</sup> April 2025*

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## Public Benefit

We have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing our aims and objectives and in planning future activities. The benefit to the public is a feeling of spiritual stability and freedom within the Ministry Area for the benefit of all God's people. This is exercised through:

- The provision of regular public worship and pastoral work, including visiting the sick and bereaved.
- The teaching of Christianity through sermons and small groups, and the taking of assemblies in local schools.
- The promotion of Christianity through staging special services.

The activities take place in both the churches and church halls within the Ministry Area

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### **Local Church Building Team**

Responsibility for looking after the property portfolio of the Ministry Area lies with the individual churches and includes day to day matters to keep the buildings warm, welcoming and safe.

Expenditure was increased significantly in 2024 compared with 2023 and significant items included:

- Internal wall repairs and the removal of a tree in the grounds of Christ Church Radyr
- Replacement heater at new School Rooms, Radyr.
- External repointing at St John the Baptist, Danescourt.
- Refurbishment of windows and roof repairs and maintenance at St Johns Church Hall, Danescourt.
- Internal repairs at Creigiau Church Hall.
- Clearance of vegetation in the churchyard and internal wall repairs at St Catwgs, Pentyrch.
- Removal of part of a tree at St Davids, Groesfaen
- Internal ceiling repairs at St Mary's, St Fagans

Expenditure funded by special appeals comprised:

- A replacement organ at Christ Church, Radyr with the associated speakers being replaced in 2025.
- Upgrade and enhancement to the sound system at St John the Baptist, Danescourt

There is a large volume of routine transactions on energy, annual or other frequency of tests on equipment, cleaning and ad-hoc repairs and thanks must be given to the church representatives and their treasurers in dealing with these matters.

Looking ahead to 2025, the following matters will be considered:

- Potential work recommended from the receipt of quinquennial reports on the fabric of a number of church buildings.
- Updating of a project to include refreshment facilities in a section of one of the churches
- Ongoing studies into the reordering of one building to improve its flexibility of use
- The major refurbishment of another building to make it suitable for use by third parties.

All or some of the above will require Diocesan approval and consideration of how the projects will be funded including sourcing grants.

My appreciation is expressed to the church members who have cared for the physical condition of their church buildings in a competent and timely manner.

*Michael Gill, Ministry Area Treasurer*



## **Financial Review**

### ***Background***

This is the third set of MA accounts since the MA was created on 1 January 2022.

### ***The Finance Team***

My appreciation is expressed to the Church treasurers and Gift Aid secretaries who served during 2024 for their continued commitment to looking after the financial affairs of their churches in a competent and timely manner.

### ***Accounting system***

This was the third full year of using the special church and charity accounting software as required by the Diocese. The treasurers' team is now familiar with its requirements and is allowing the preparation of up to date financial information in a structured manner that was not previously possible under manual systems.

### ***Banking arrangements***

There were no changes in the current account banking arrangements in the year with The Cooperative Bank remaining the principal bankers to the MA for day to day banking matters.

There were no changes in the deposit account arrangements with Epworth Investment Management. The funds are held in instant access accounts and benefit from attractive interest rates.

### ***Financial Results - Summary***

The overall result for the year is a loss of £44.9k, split as follows:

- The General Fund, being day to day income and expenditure of running the MA, churches and halls, incurred a loss of £45.8k. All church groupings incurred a loss on the general fund in the year.
- A increase in Designated Funds of £8.4k being attributable to a successful fund raising for new equipment in one church which is planned to be purchased in 2025.
- A decrease in Restricted Funds of £7.5k. This is attributable to expenditure in the year from a legacy for one of the churches received in the previous year.

### ***Financial Results – General Fund income***

The following comments are considered relevant:

- The Diocesan Fair Share rebate reduced from 10% in 2023 to 5% in 2024.
- Planned giving being a mixture of Gift Direct, weekly envelopes and standing orders rose slightly to £111.6k or 36% of total income. Related to this are tax refunds of £33k or 10% of total income. This is the core funding of any church and with a combined total of 46% (2023 46%) of total income means that the churches are dependent on many other sources of income to try and meet costs.
- Fees comprise fees from weddings, baptisms and funerals.
- Fund raising includes traditional events held by individual churches such as summer fetes.



- Church hall and other property income from a residential investment property continues to be a very important source of income.
- Investment income comprises quarterly income from long term investments with the Church in Wales.
- In the previous year, one church benefitted from two non recurring sources of income being a legacy and a receipt of funds from a Diocesan Project both of which were for restricted funds.
- Adjusting for the non recurring funds above, the net increase in general fund income was approx £10k

### ***Financial Results – General Fund expenditure***

The following comments are considered relevant:

- The maintenance of ministry is solely the gross amount due to the Diocese which rose by £10.6k. When the Diocesan rebate referred to above is taken into account, the net increase in the Diocesan Fair Share (now Diocesan Pledge) is approx £20k
- Maintenance of churches includes amongst other expenses, insurance, electricity, gas and repairs. The first three are largely fixed in nature; repairs will vary widely from year to year and expenditure in the year has been detailed in the preceeding local building team report..
- Most churches have contracts in place for gas and electricity, but as a number of contracts expired in 2023 this year, energy costs have risen.
- Maintenance of other properties includes church halls, church grounds and the residential property. Major expenditure in the year has been detailed in the preceeding local building team report.
- With the appointment of a full clergy team and a part time administrative assistant in September 2024, both clergy expenses and General Ministry Area (“parish”) expenses rose in the year and will rise further in 2025.
- General expenses also included exceptional professional fees of approx £6k relating to a proposed building project on one of the Ministry Area buildings.
- Other expenses comprise a high volume of low value transactions to maintain services and church activities.

The expectation is that total expenditure will reduce in 2025 but it is too early to predict the amount. The Diocesan Pledge is approx £9k lower at £186k and it is hoped that property expenditure will reduce to more normal levels.

### ***Reserves and bank balances***

Despite the small loss for the year, the MA had aggregate current and deposit account balances of £326k.(2023 £349k). Although there is no formal policy regarding the holding of cash, as the closing readily available bank balances are equivalent to approx 12 months expenditure on the unrestricted reserves account, it is considered that the charity has adequate reserves to continue in operation for the foreseeable future.

### ***Long term investments***

The MA had aggregate long term investments with the Church in Wales of £219k (2023 £208k) at the year-end, this value reflecting a increase in value of approx 5% compared to their 2023 year end value. The investments are held for a combination of restricted and general funds with the probability that they would be cashed in for the purposes of acquiring additional property for

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use by the Ministry Area or major work, whether repair, renovation or re-ordering of existing buildings.

The MA owns a residential investment property, located within the Ministry Area, which is let to a unrelated third party and is managed by a third party letting agent. The property was originally purchased for use as clergy accommodation within a former parish. It continues to be held either as a source of income or future use by Ministry Area clergy.

### ***The future***

If the MA is to reach a breakeven position, then as costs are mainly fixed or increasing, income must rise; specifically more people giving more regularly in a tax efficient manner.

*Michael Gill, Ministry Area Treasurer*

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### **Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities**

Financial statements are required to be prepared for each financial year which give a true and fair view of its state of affairs at the balance sheet date and of the income and expenditure for the year then ended. These financial statements are required to be examined by independent accountants and copies made available to parishioners. In preparing these financial statements the trustees will have due regard to:

- selecting suitable accounting policies and applying them consistently making judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent observing applicable Accounting Standards
- preparing the financial statements on a going concern basis

The trustees, who are also members of the Ministry Area Council are responsible also for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy the financial position of the Garth Ministry Area and for safeguarding its assets.

The above report has been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice – Accounting and Reporting by Charities.

Approved by The Ministry Area Council on 18 June 2025 and signed on its behalf by:

Reverend S H Birdsall  
Ministry Area Leader

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## **INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE GARTH MINISTRY AREA**

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2024 which are set out on pages 27 to 32.

### **Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner**

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of The Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by The Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

### **Basis of Independent Examiner's Report**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by The Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a true and fair view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

### **Independent Examiner's Statement**

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act

have not been met; or to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Name: Mr Robert Hugh

Qualification: BSc., FCA

Date: 27 June 2025

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

	Notes	Unrestricted £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	This Year Total £	Last Year Total £
<b>INCOMING RESOURCES</b>							
<b>Voluntary resources</b>							
Direct giving: Planned		111,593	750			<b>112,343</b>	107,440
Church collections		30,714				<b>30,714</b>	25,950
Indirect giving : Tax refunds		33,357	3,516			<b>36,873</b>	31,379
<b>Activities for generating funds</b>							
Fees		12,832				<b>12,832</b>	10,751
Fund raising		21,064				<b>21,064</b>	19,665
Special collections		2,607				<b>2,607</b>	1,762
Miscellaneous income		6,278		28		<b>6,306</b>	23,681
Church Hall and other property income		55,350		637		<b>55,987</b>	43,114
Donations and legacies		12,098	24,500			<b>36,598</b>	22,676
<b>Investment income</b>							
Interest received		14,150				<b>14,150</b>	12,564
Common Investment Fund		3,072	776	1,437		<b>5,285</b>	5,361
<b>Other incoming resources</b>							
Grants				702		<b>702</b>	2,159
Ministry Area rebate		9,750				<b>9,750</b>	18,436
<b>Total Incoming resources</b>		<b>312,864</b>	<b>29,542</b>	<b>2,805</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>345,211</b>	<b>324,939</b>
<b>Outgoing resources expended for the promotion of the mission of the Church in the Parish</b>							
Maintenance of Ministry	3	195,000				<b>195,000</b>	184,365
Parochial expenses of Clerics		6,415				<b>6,415</b>	11,934
Maintenance of services		12,281		1,190		<b>13,472</b>	15,953
General expenses	4	17,234				<b>17,234</b>	7,998
Maintenance of Churches	5	54,076		11,629		<b>65,705</b>	60,586
Maintenance of halls and other prop	6	54,044				<b>54,044</b>	33,041
Missions Home	7	4,680				<b>4,680</b>	6,667
World	8	6,644		990		<b>7,634</b>	2,669
Costs of fund raising		4,284				<b>4,284</b>	4,082
Purchase of assets for church purposes		550	21,131			<b>21,681</b>	0
<b>Total Outgoing resources</b>		<b>355,209</b>	<b>21,131</b>	<b>13,810</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>390,150</b>	<b>327,294</b>
<b>Net incoming/(outgoing) resources before transfers</b>		<b>(42,345)</b>	<b>8,411</b>	<b>(11,005)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(44,939)</b>	<b>(2,355)</b>
Transfer between funds		4,136	(195)	(3,941)		0	0
Unrealised gains/(losses) on revaluation of: Investments		6,520	1,701	3,153		<b>11,374</b>	10,964
Investment property						<b>0</b>	0
<b>Net increase/(decrease) in funds</b>		<b>(31,689)</b>	<b>9,917</b>	<b>(11,793)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(33,565)</b>	<b>8,609</b>
Fund balances brought forward at 1st January		849,362	54,119	331,775	0	<b>1,235,256</b>	1,226,647
<b>Fund balances carried forward at 31 December</b>		<b>817,673</b>	<b>64,036</b>	<b>319,982</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,201,691</b>	<b>1,235,256</b>

## BALANCE SHEET AT 31 DECEMBER 2024

	Notes	This Year £	Last Year £
<b>Fixed assets</b>			
Tangible assets	9	245,915	245,915
Investments	10	628,974	617,947
<b>Total of Fixed Assets</b>		<b>874,889</b>	<b>863,862</b>
<b>Current assets</b>			
Debtors	11	18,888	33,199
Cash at bank & in hand		326,254	349,107
		<b>345,142</b>	<b>382,306</b>
<b>Creditors falling due within one year</b>	12	<b>18,339</b>	<b>10,911</b>
<b>Net Current Assets</b>		<b>326,803</b>	<b>371,395</b>
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>		<b>1,201,692</b>	<b>1,235,256</b>
<b>TOTAL NET ASSETS</b>	13	<b>1,201,692</b>	<b>1,235,256</b>
<b>Income funds</b>			
Unrestricted: Ordinary	15	817,673	849,362
Designated	15	64,036	54,119
Restricted	15	319,983	331,775
Revaluation reserve	14	0	0
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>		<b>1,201,692</b>	<b>1,235,256</b>

Approved by The Ministry Area Council on 18 June 2025

and signed on its behalf by:

..... Reverend SH Birdsall (Ministry Area Leader)

..... Mr M Gill (Ministry Area Treasurer)

**ACCOUNTING POLICIES  
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

The Financial Statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable United Kingdom accounting standards, the "Statement of Recommended Practice" issued by the Charity Commissioners and the Church in Wales Accounting Regulations.

The historical cost convention is used as modified to include the revaluation of investments.

The accruals basis of accounting has been adopted.

The principal accounting policies are applied consistently.

**a. Fixed assets**

**Freehold property:**

Churches, Churchyards and Vicarages are vested in the Representative Body of the Church in Wales; such property forms no part of the assets of the Ministry Area.

Moveable Church contents require a faculty for disposal so are considered to be inalienable property and are not valued, nor recognised on the Balance Sheet.

Expenditure incurred on the fabric of Church Buildings, Church Halls, Churchyards and Vicarages is written off when incurred.

Expenditure on fixtures, fittings and equipment is written off when incurred. This applies to acquisitions of a capital nature where the purchase cost has been met by specific funds received.

Other freehold land and buildings are held in trust for the Ministry Area by either the Representative Body or the Llandaff Diocesan Board of Finance.

The basis for valuation of other freehold land and buildings is :

Church Halls are stated at cost

Freehold property not used for church purposes is stated at valuation

No provision for depreciation of land and buildings is made.

**b. Funds**

**Unrestricted funds:**

These are general funds which can be used for ordinary purposes.

**Endowment funds:**

These are funds the capital of which must be maintained; only income arising from investment of the endowment may be used either as restricted or unrestricted funds depending upon the purpose for which the endowment was established.

**Designated Funds:**

These are sums set aside out of General Funds for specific designated purposes. They can be transferred back to unrestricted funds at any time.

**Restricted funds:**

Income from trusts or endowments may be expended only on those restricted objects provided in the terms of the trust or bequest. Any balance remaining unspent at the end of each year must be carried forward as a balance on that fund.

**c. Incoming resources:**

Planned giving, collections and donations are recognised when received. These are all accounted for gross.

Indirect giving: Tax refunds are recognised as soon as the amounts are claimable.

Grants and Legacies are accounted for when the Ministry Area is legally entitled to the amounts due.

Investment income: Dividends are accounted for when receivable; interest and tax recoverable are accrued. Where the Ministry Area has not invested separately for each fund interest is apportioned to individual funds on an average balance basis.

All other income is generally recognised when it is receivable.

**d. Outgoing resources**

The Diocesan Area Fair share is paid in periodic instalments and is included in expenditure for the year to which it relates.

All other expenditure is generally recognised when it is incurred.

**e. Investments**

Investments are stated at valuation as advised by the Representative Body of The Church in Wales.

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	Unrestricted £	Designated £	Restricted £	This Year £	Last Year £
<b>1 Maintenance of ministry</b>					
Diocesan Fair Share	195,000			195,000	184,365
<b>2 General Expenses</b>					
Independent Examiner's fees	1,400			1,400	1,400
Payroll and other professional fess	6,186			6,186	450
Bank charges and interest paid	270			270	231
Depreciation	0			-	350
Printing, postage, stationery and leasing	2,258			2,258	1,929
Office and general expenditure	2,388			2,388	1,563
Retirement and leaving gifts	2,492			2,492	2,075
Administration Staff salary	2,240			2,240	-
	17,234	-	-	17,234	7,998
<b>3 Fees for Financial Statements Examination</b>				This Year £	Last Year £
Independent examiner's fees for reporting on the Financial Statements				1,400	1,400
Other fees paid to independent examiner				471	350
				1,871	1,750
<b>4 Employee costs and numbers</b>					
Gross wages and salaries				6,673	3,906
Employer's national insurance costs				0	0
Pension contributions				0	0
Total staff costs				6,673	3,906
Average number of employees in the year				4	3
The members of The Ministry Area Council did not receive any remuneration.					
	Unrestricted £	Designated £	Restricted £	This Year £	Last Year £
<b>5 Maintenance of Churches</b>					
Maintenance of Churches	48,586		446	49,033	57,911
Exceptional expenditure on churches	5,490		11,183	16,673	2,675
	54,076	0	11,629	65,705	60,586
<b>6 Maintenance of halls and other property</b>					
Church Halls	35,908			35,908	24,532
Churchyards	15,124			15,124	6,136
Other property	3,012			3,012	2,373
	54,044	-	-	54,044	33,041
<b>7 Payments to Ministry Area missions</b>					
Children and young people activity costs	4,680			4,680	1,677
Cost of church publications				-	1,794
Other mission work				-	387
Syrian Refugees: 1 Family Cardiff				-	2,809
	4,680	-	-	4,680	6,667
<b>8 Missions and Grants Home/World</b>					
UK Charities	6,644		990	7,634	1,623
International mission and projects				-	1,046
	6,644	-	990	7,634	2,669
<b>9 Tangible Fixed Assets</b>		Freehold property £	Fixtures & fittings £	This Year £	Last Year £
Cost or valuation:					
Balance 1st January 2024		245,914	2,214	248,128	248,128
Additions				0	0
Disposals				0	0
Balance 31 December 2024		245,914	2,214	248,128	248,128
Accumulated depreciation					
Balance 1st January 2024		0	2,213	2,213	1,863
Charge for the year				0	350
Eliminated on disposals				0	0
Accumulated depreciation					
Balance 31 December 2024		0	2,213	2,213	2,213
Net book value:					
Balance 31 December 2024		245,914	1	245,915	245,915
Balance 31 December 2023		245,914	1	245,915	246,265

Freehold Property at 31 December 2024 comprises church halls at cost.

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<b>10 Investments</b>	Investment Properties	Other investments	<b>This Year</b>	<i>Last Year</i>
	£	£	£	£
At valuation:				
Balance 1 January 2024	410,000	207,947	<b>617,947</b>	606,635
Additions			<b>0</b>	348
Unrealised gain on revaluation of investments		11,373	<b>11,373</b>	10,964
Disposals		(345)	<b>(345)</b>	0
Balance 31 December 2024	<b>410,000</b>	<b>218,974</b>	<b>628,974</b>	<b>617,947</b>
Investment Properties comprise:				
Residential Investment Property	235,000			
Agricultural land	175,000			
	<u>410,000</u>			

The market value of the residential investment property has been assessed by the Trustees following the receipt of independent advice.

Investment properties are held by The Representative Body of the Church in Wales on behalf of The Garth Ministry Area.

Other Investments represents shares in the Common Investment Fund held by The Representative Body of the Church in Wales on behalf of The Garth Ministry Area.

<b>11 Debtors</b>	<b>This Year</b>	<i>Last Year</i>
	£	£
Income tax recoverable	12,121	13,433
Diocesan Fair Share Rebate	2,191	4,609
Other debtors and prepayments	4,576	15,157
	<b>18,888</b>	<b>33,199</b>
<b>12 Creditors falling due within one year</b>		
Other creditors and accrued expenses	18,339	10,911
	<b>18,339</b>	<b>10,911</b>

<b>13 Analysis of Net Assets by Fund</b>	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	<b>This Year</b>
	£	£	£	£
At 31 December 2024				
Tangible assets	245,915	0	0	245,915
Investments	360,518	32,760	235,695	628,973
Debtors	16,200	0	2,688	18,888
Cash at Bank and in Hand	206,412	31,276	88,568	326,256
	829,045	64,036	326,950	1,220,032
Creditors amounts falling due within one year	(11,372)	0	(6,967)	(18,339)
	<u>817,673</u>	<u>64,036</u>	<u>319,983</u>	<u>1,201,692</u>
At 31 December 2023				
Tangible assets	245,915	0	0	245,915
Investments	354,001	31,059	232,887	617,947
Debtors	20,511	12,688	0	33,199
Cash at Bank and in Hand	239,847	10,372	98,888	349,107
	860,274	54,119	331,775	1,246,168
Creditors amounts falling due within one year	(10,912)	0	0	(10,912)
	<u>849,362</u>	<u>54,119</u>	<u>331,775</u>	<u>1,235,256</u>

<b>14 Revaluation reserve</b>	<b>This Year</b>	<i>Last Year</i>
	£	£
At 31st December 2023	0	149,500
Transfer to unrestricted fund	0	(149,500)
At 31st December 2024	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

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Note 15: Movement in Reserves

		Fund balances brought forward	Incoming Resources	Outgoing Resources	Transfers between Funds	Revaluation of Investments	Revaluation of land	Fund balances carried forward
		31 December 2023						31 December 2024
<b>Church</b>								
General unrestricted fund	All churches combined	849,362	312,864	(355,209)	4,136	6,520	0	817,673
<b>Designated Funds:</b>								
Fabric Repairs	Christ Church, Radyr	34,119	776			1,701		36,596
Organ Replacement	Christ Church, Radyr		25,095	(17,655)				7,440
Sound System upgrade	St John the Baptist, Danescourt		3,671	(3,476)	(195)			0
Legacies For Internal Expenditure	St Marys, St Fagans	9,564						9,564
DBF re Sale Of Land	St Mary and James, Taffs Well:	10,436						10,436
Sub-total: Designated Funds		54,119	29,542	(21,131)	(195)	1,701	0	64,036
<b>Restricted Funds:</b>								
1 Family Cardiff		9,181		(990)				8,191
Farrance Dec'd Legacy	St Catwgs, Pentyrch	10,000		(7,414)				2,586
St Davids Churchyard	St David, Groesfaen	9,042	217			475		9,734
CJ James Dec'd Legacy	St Ellteyrn, Capel Llanilltern	44,400	1,083		(2,140)	2,375		45,718
Davies Dec'd Legacy	St Ellteyrn, Capel Llanilltern	30,483			(2,459)			28,024
Davies R Legacy	St Ellteyrn, Capel Llanilltern				1,938			1,938
Land adj to St Ellteyrns, Capel Llanillterm	St Ellteyrn, Capel Llanilltern	175,000	637		(637)			175,000
GM Jones Dec'd Legacy	St John the Baptist, Danescourt	1,460		(1,190)	(270)			0
Chacel Repair Fund	St John the Baptist, Danescourt	345	28		(373)			0
Earl Of Plymouth	St Marys, St Fagans	39,681	703	(4,216)				36,168
St Mary's Churchyard Fund - The Forrest Family	St Marys, St Fagans	6,223						6,223
The Honorable G Lewis Memorial Fund	St Marys, St Fagans	5,959	138			303		6,400
Sub-total: Restricted Funds		331,775	2,805	(13,810)	(3,941)	3,153	0	319,983
<b>Total for all funds</b>		<b>1,235,256</b>	<b>345,211</b>	<b>(390,150)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>11,374</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,201,692</b>

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### Structure and governance

The Benefice of The Garth Ministry Area is situated in the communities of Capel Llaniltern, Creigiau, Danescourt, Groes Faen, Pentyrch, Radyr, St Fagans, Taffs Well and Tongwynlais, all situated in or to the North and North West of Cardiff.

The Ministry Area is within the Deanery of Cardiff, part of the Diocese of Llandaff and within the Church in Wales.

The dedication of the Ministry Area for the year under review and their locations are:

Christ Church	Radyr, Cardiff
Creigiau Church Hall	Creigiau
St Catwg	Pentyrch
St David	Groes Faen
St Ellteyrn	Capel Llanilltern
St John Baptist	Danescourt, Cardiff
St James	Taffs Well
St Mary	St Fagans
St Michael	Tongwynlais

It was the responsibility of both the Ministry Area Council ("MAC") and the Incumbents to work together and co-operate in all matters of concern and importance to the Ministry Area for the promotion of the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical.

The appointed clergy are:

Reverend SG Willson	<i>Ministry Area Leader, retired 31 October 2023</i>
Reverend SH Birdsall	<i>Vicar and Ministry Area leader from 14 December 2023</i>
Reverend II Yemm	<i>Vicar Resigned 31 December 2023</i>
Reverend R Coombs	<i>Vicar</i>
Reverend BJ Huxtable-Goy	<i>Curate</i>

The principal address of the charity:

- The Rectory, Rectory Close, Radyr, Cardiff CF15 8EW

Independent Examiner:

- Mr Robert Hugh, Robert Hugh Ltd, 15 Dan y Bryn Avenue, Radyr, Cardiff CF15 8DD

Bankers:

- The Cooperative Bank, PO Box 250, Skelmersdale, Lancashire, WN8 6WT
- Lloyds Bank
- Natwest Bank

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The trustees, who are also members of the Ministry Area Council ("MAC"), during the financial year were as follows.

<b>Name</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Date of appointment or resignation</b>
Reverend Steve Willson	Vicar and Ministry Area Leader	Retired 31 October 2023
Reverend Sandra Birdsall	Vicar and Ministry Area Leader	Appointed as Ministry Area leader 1 November 2023
Reverend Ruth Coombs	Vicar	
Reverend Belinda Huxtable-Goy	Curate	Resigned 31 March 2024
Reverend Ian Yemm	Vicar	Resigned 31 December 2023
John Kiff	Ministry Area Lay Chair	
Andrew Dodd	Ministry Area Warden	Retired 24 June 2023
Paul Marshall	Ministry Area Warden	
Margaret Jones	Ministry Area Secretary	Stood down as Secretary in 2023
Michael Gill	Ministry Area Treasurer	
Amanda Russell-Jones	Elected Member	
Michael Edwards	Elected Member	
Rosalind James	Elected Member	
Geoffrey Moses	Elected Member	
Paul Owens	Elected Member	
Ruth Davies	Ministry Area Warden	Appointed 24 June 2023

The charity is an unincorporated entity but is registered with the Charity Commission for England & Wales, registered number 1132144.

The charity is governed by the Constitution of the Church In Wales adopted on 31 March 2020.

The charity is under the control of the Trustees who meet periodically under the title of a "Ministry Area Council ("MAC")" which held five meetings during the year under review.

The principal role of the MAC is to provide a strategic overview of the charity with day to day management being delegated to nominated individuals for Ministry Area matters or a group of church members for the maintenance of services and buildings for each church or hall. Reports from individual officers and church wardens on behalf of each church are given later in this document.

During the year, the MAC approved the creation of an Executive Committee comprising the clergy, Ministry Area Wardens and Ministry Area Treasurer. The Committee is authorised to meet in-between full MAC meetings to deal with matters arising on a timely basis.

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**MAC Vision and Strategy**

The MAC has the following 10 year Vision and Strategy which it is now implementing.

**Background / Issue:**

- Steady decline in membership (see charts overleaf).
- **We are failing in our mission.**
- We need a motivating **vision** of what we want & need to be.
- We need a strategy to get there.

**Our 'Big Gaps' (as an MA)**

- 1) **Not growing in existing communities and**
- 2) **Not present in our new communities (Plasdwr etc.)**

**Our Overall Vision** (where we want to get to / what we want to 'look like' as a MA)

**We are flourishing, active in all our communities, and confident about using our words and actions to share the love of God to all.**

**Root Causes of our Gaps** (things that we can address to close our gaps)

- A. Not replacing ageing (increasingly less active) congregation members.
- B. Not effective in attracting all generations / life-stages.
- C. Experience of church (in all its aspects) not sufficiently meaningful/relevant.
- D. Not good at articulating/defending our faith effectively to others.
- E. Insufficiently active/visible in our communities – especially Plasdwr.
- F. Volunteering decreasing so expectations of clergy are becoming greater.

**Our Key Strategic Actions**

No	Root Cause Letter	Key Strategic Actions	Who will Lead
		Aim for 'Belonging before Believing' in each	
1.	<b>E</b>	Establish a welcoming Christian presence, worship & activity in the new communities in the MA	Rev. TBA 1 & Amanda Russell-J
2.	<b>A, B, C</b>	Establish friendly, accessible worship and activities that appeal to all generations, young families and children – with follow-up	Ruth Davies and Rev TBA 1
3.	<b>C, D</b>	Communicate what we do and why we do it and our own faith stories, meaningfully – online, in our buildings and via activities and services	Ros James and Rev TBA 2
4.	<b>D, F</b>	Grow each of our abilities to articulate our faith effectively to others (Telling the Joyful Story)	Rev TBA 2 and John Kiff
5	<b>C, E, F</b>	Grow and develop new leaders to collaborate with the clergy, and engaging <b>all</b> our people in having <b>a role</b> in the life of the church and in achieving our Vision	Rev. Sandra Birdsall and Geoff Moses
6	<b>E</b>	Be always active in campaigning and acting against injustice. Take action to continually reduce the impact of our buildings and activities on creation	Rev Ruth Coombs and Rev Sandra Birdsall

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### Safeguarding Officer's Report

#### Safeguarding is Everyone's Responsibility

The Church in Wales aims to create and maintain an organisational culture that reflects the importance of safeguarding. The welfare of children and adults at risk is paramount and takes precedence over all other considerations.

Just as Jesus is the ultimate refuge and place of safety, as His representative on earth we are called to 'embody' Him. Safeguarding is part of our core faith and an integral feature of Christian life in our churches across the Garth Ministry Area.

Safeguarding means preventing harm to children and adults at risk by protecting them from abuse or neglect. The Church in Wales is committed to safeguarding as an integral part of its life, mission and ministry. Within the Garth Ministry Area we uphold the Church in Wales aims to:

- Promote the wellbeing of children and adults at risk
- Raise awareness of safeguarding within the Church
- Work to prevent abuse or harm from occurring
- Seek to protect and respond well to those that have been abused

To make the policies and procedures more accessible to all members of the church community, the Church in Wales has reviewed and updated all of them and made them available for everyone on the Church in Wales website.

<https://www.churchinwales.org.uk/en/clergy-and-members/safeguarding/>

As a Ministry Area we have formally adopted this policy and its associated procedures.

In the Garth Ministry Area we use the Church in Wales secure dashboard, My Church People, to support the Ministry Area in maintaining accurate records about those who work or volunteer across our churches. It is used to manage the DBS process, records completed training and triggers reminders when checks or additional training is required.

The data below identifies our current position.

DBS Checks	
People entered onto My Church People	69
Valid DBS checks	43
Ongoing DBS checks	15

Training	Module A	Module B	Module C
Training Completed:	47	45	9
Training Required	22	24	5
% Trained	68%	65%	64%

We promote the completion of safeguarding training for all within our churches. This includes the Church in Wales 'Core Learning Pathways' which provide a range of safeguarding learning developed to build knowledge according to role and responsibility. Additional learning modules have been developed to enhance safeguarding knowledge on particular subject areas, or for specific roles, and these are undertaken where required. Work will continue to ensure that all those who require training for their voluntary roles within our churches complete the required modules as swiftly as possible.

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### **Digital Communications Team Report**

The Digital Communications Team (“DCT”) has now been running since August 2022. During 2023, The Garth Ministry Area (TGMA) launched its Strategy and as a result created a series of Focus Groups to take the Strategy forward. The group focussing on Communications is called Garth Connect. As DCT was already set up, both groups have been merged, as this was seen as the most efficient way to deliver for the Ministry Area (MA). DCT/Garth Connect meet monthly and have delivered many products for TGMA over the past 12 months. Highlights of the deliverables are provided below:

#### **1. New Ministry Area Website**

A new MA website was launched in August 2023 and can be found [here](#). The launch was successful with key people being trained to update the site. The site contains a specific page for each of the eight churches and three halls, along with news and much more. The website is a product of the excellent collaboration which is taking place across the MA.

**Progress to date** – we have three website administrators who populate the pages with up-coming events and news articles. There is still work to be done to change peoples’ mindsets to think “electronic” messaging rather than “paper”, but we’ve made headway into this and there is much support for the work that is being done.

#### **2. Secure Storage Facility**

Our Clergy have been trained in the secure storage and are using the facility, finding benefits in data sharing and reductions in data duplication. It has been set up to enable the Clergy to share information in carrying out their day-to-day tasks and when going on leave. When appointed, two new Clergy will also undergo the training. Church Wardens, Magazine/Newspaper Editors etc tend to utilise the hard drives on their PCs to store information relating to their church and the MA. A considerable amount of analysis work has been carried out on the data held and the people who use it. It is planned that data is migrated onto the secure storage, where it can be shared where appropriate. This will enable further collaboration across our MA.

**Progress to date** – our Windows based solution has the appropriate folders created ready for population. The DCT team are setting up a series of workshops to go through such features as logging in, storing and sharing data etc., and documenting those activities to create a User Guide. Once complete, the guides will form the basis of our training package which will be rolled out across the MA via carefully planned workshops. This will give people the opportunity to try out the guides in a real environment, and for the DCT team to resolve any issues encountered.

#### **3. Branding**

In 2023, it was recognised that there was a need for people to identify the Garth Ministry Area and its media, be it online or in paper format, and that branding is key to this. In 2023, several sample logos were created for discussion and the DCT team agreed the one they thought would be most appropriate (based on the brief given by the MA Leader). The logo was then put before the Ministry Area Council (“MAC”) for approval. The logo was duly approved, and some additional 25 logos were created in greyscale and colour, for all possible uses. To ensure that they were used correctly, a Style guide was produced and circulated around the MA. The logos are now in regular use. Additional logos have been produced for our informal All Age Services and Safeguarding, and we continue to expand and use these techniques in our marketing.

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#### **4. Social Media**

We now have Ministry Area Facebook and 'X' accounts and they are used regularly to reach people are not aware of our website. Social media is heavily used in publicising our Messy Church events.

#### **5. Stakeholder Engagement & Communications**

Following a Garth Connect meeting with a top Cardiff Publicist, we will be taking on board some of the ideas he suggested. We have produced a detailed Stakeholder List and Power/Impact Matrix and will utilise this to create a Stakeholder and Communications Engagement Strategy which will include a plan.

**Progress to date** – the Stakeholder and Communications Engagement Strategy in production and it is planned that it be submitted to MAC in the September meeting.

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### **Objectives and Activities**

The principal objective of the charity is the promotion of the mission of the church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical in the Ministry Area. Individual Church Reports detailing the activities undertaken in respect of the above are as follows:

#### ***Christ Church Radyr***

##### **1. Activities Progressing the Vision and Strategy**

- Christ Church is open every day for private prayer.
- Live Streaming of 11.00 a.m. Sunday Service, Weddings, Funerals, Baptisms, Concerts, Remembrance Sunday in Church and at the War Memorial.
- 6 Funerals & 7 Baptisms were held in the year.
- Special services include Civic Service, Radyr Comprehensive Remembrance Service, Radyr Primary Christmas Concert,
- Other activities include Sunday Club, Mothers` Union, Church Choir, Bell Ringers.
- We continue to collect for the Food Bank & toiletries for the Huggard Centre.

##### **2. Social Activities in the Community**

- Family Fun Day.
- Get Ready for Christmas event.
- Shrove Tuesday Quiz.
- Refreshments after every service.
- Coronation, Harvest, Candlemas & Easter Lunches.
- Friday Lent Lunches.
- 3 Charity Concerts.
- Visiting Bell ringers to ring our Bells.
- Use of the New School rooms for parties, meetings & Various Classes.

##### **3. Plans for the Coming Year**

- We will endeavour to build on everything we have done this year.

*Warden Name: Rubina Davison      Date: 5<sup>th</sup> June 2024*

#### ***St Catwg's Church, Pentyrch.***

##### **1. Activities Progressing the Vision and Strategy**

- Engagement with families from the new communities through Messy Church.
- MA Vicars Warden engaging with Pentyrch Primary School.
- Lay-led, non-eucharist services every other Wednesday morning.
- 6 Members of our congregation have offered to be a part of an Action Group to drive the MA Vision and Strategy.
- Members of the congregation are part of Messy Church: catering, activities, leading celebrations.
- Strong representation from St Catwg's on the MAC.

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- Members of our congregation have attended courses run by Action Group 4 -Advent course, Bible Study etc.
- Kitchen in church uses Fair Trade produce, i.e. coffee, tea, sugar. Recycling bins are present in church and compostable cups are used.
- Participation in the Lenten giving this year and also Food Bank.
- On-going donations to Water Aid are collected.

## **2. Social Activities in the Community**

- Coffee served after Sunday & weekday services.
- Weekly quizzes, continued after Covid-19.
- A social committee established with representation from St David's, St Ellteryn's and St Catwg's churches organise family occasions such as: St David's Lunch, Harvest Supper, Advent Lunch etc. All are held jointly with other Pentyrch churches.
- Jointly help run a Christian Aid Coffee morning

## **3. Plans for the Coming Year**

- Quinquennial Inspection and any essential maintenance that comes from this.
- Tree and grave inspections.
- Almathea Ensemble Concert, 30<sup>th</sup> May.
- Sine Nominee Concert, 1<sup>st</sup> December.
- Local Primary School Carol Service, December.
- Village Carol Service, December.
- Open the church for Pentyrch Open Gardens; providing tea, coffee and cake.

Warden Name: Gill Stevens

Date: 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2024

### ***St David's, Groesfaen***

#### **1. Activities Progressing the Vision and Strategy**

- Detail of the Vision and Strategy have been displayed as requested and people are aware of the working groups and request for volunteers.
- Copies of the leaflets "What is Christmas & Easter All About" were publicised and issued as requested.

#### **2. Social Activities in the Community**

- Members of the congregation both lead and support the monthly Community Market in Creigiau and Messy Church.
- Members of the congregation actively participate in the Pentyrch Churches Social Committee arranging and leading events throughout the year.
- St David's is used on a monthly basis by the local Gwyrdd community group for coffee mornings and is also used for occasional concerts throughout the year.
- The church was used in May as a polling station for the election of the Crime Commissioner and will be used again in July for the General Election.

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### 3. Plans for the Coming Year

- To continue as above.
- Undertake essential maintenance identified by our recent Quinquennial Inspection..
- Recruitment a new vicar to lead our three churches.

Warden Name: *Andrew Heylin / Mary Davies*      Date: *30<sup>th</sup> May 2024*

#### ***St Ellteyrn's, Capel Llanilltern***

##### **1. Activities Progressing the Vision and Strategy.**

- Reaching out to the community, old village and new developments
- The Vision is to develop the small hall next to St Ellteyrn's church so that it can be used more by the community.
- The St Ellteyrn's Church Hall requires a kitchen and toilet so that the hall can be used regularly by the church and third party groups and classes.

##### **2. Social Activities in the Community**

- At the moment, only coffee mornings are viable.
- We hope to develop more activities in the next year

##### **3. Plans for the Coming Year**

- Continue to collect prices for improving the hall. Some quotes already received, but still need some for new windows etc.
- Once all the quotes have been collected, apply for funding for the work to be carried out

Warden Name: *Linda Davies*      Date: *29<sup>th</sup> May 2024*

#### ***St John's Church Danescourt***

##### **1. Activities Progressing the Vision and Strategy**

- Making sure all Church activities and Services are advertised appropriately so that they are accessible to all.
- Ensuring we welcome and engage with any new faces in our Church Services so that they feel comfortable and part of our fellowship.
- Taking action to support those less fortunate than ourselves e.g. Food Bank collections and Baby Bank collections, Christian Aid.
- Inviting the children and staff of Danescourt Primary School to Church at various times of the year.
- Inviting the parents of the school children to Church to see their children's decorated Christmas Trees and providing refreshments.

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## **2. Social activities in the Community**

We show our faith in action through:

- Providing a safe and friendly Baby and Toddler group – ensuring parents grandparents, carers and children feel welcomed.
- Providing an inclusive coffee morning where everyone in the community is welcome for coffee, tea, cakes and an opportunity to chat and meet new friends.
- We hold at least 2 or 3 social activities a year which are very well attended by the local community, e.g. A Strawberry Tea in June.  
All proceeds from these activities go to various charities. e.g. Christian Aid, Cancer Research Wales, Noah's Ark Children's Hospital.
- This year we also fundraised for new equipment for the forest school at our local Danescourt Primary School

## **3. Plans for the Coming Year**

- We plan to maintain and build upon all our links with our local community ensuring that we are telling a joyful story and communicating our love of Jesus and our neighbours.

*Warden Name: Cheryl Evans Date: 5<sup>th</sup> June 2024*

## **St Mary's Church, St Fagans**

### **1. Activities Progressing the Vision and Strategy**

- Strong links maintained with St Fagans Church in Wales Primary School, which has included regular assemblies, and two whole school Eucharists.
- Four of the Governors at St Fagans Church in Wales Primary School regularly attend services at St Mary's Church.
- Monthly 'All Age' worship continues at St Mary's with a variety of Eucharist and Non-Eucharist services
- A 'Welcome' banner has been placed on the church boundary wall in an attempt to attract more people to attend church on a regular basis.
- A 'leaflet' has been produced and circulated to local residents to try and increase attendance numbers at church services, outlining what the church can do for the community, and what the community can do in return, in order to keep the church open.

### **2. Social Activities in the Community**

- An active Social Committee organises a range of fundraising activities, including Summer & Winter Fairs, skittle events and quizzes, to raise funds for the church, as well as raising the profile of the church in the local community.
- An annual 'Harvest Supper' is held in the local village hall.
- A social event is also held annually in the local village hall following the Nine Lessons & Carols service.

### **3. Plans for the Coming Year**

- Investigate ways of increasing income levels by:-
- Encouraging use of the 'Direct Giving' Scheme

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- Establishing a '100 Club'
- Review/update various church policy documents
- Revisit plans to install a 'Kitchenette' in the church in conjunction with local Community Council

Warden Name: *Phil Watkins* Date: *20<sup>th</sup> May 2024*

***St. Mary & St James, Taffs Well***

**1. Activities Progressing the Vision and Strategy**

- Engaging with the local community whenever possible.
- Using regular newsletters, posters and social media to advertise activities.
- Making the church and church gardens a place for the wider community to utilise and enjoy.
- Engaging with local businesses, other churches and local groups.
- Making improvements to the church to make it more accessible to all.

**2. Social Activities in the Community**

- Regular quiz nights
- Afternoon teas in the church gardens
- Joint events with local choir
- Songs of Praise

**3. Plans for the Coming Year**

- June – Quiz Night
- July – Feast of St. James Fish and Chip supper
- August – Songs of Praise and Cream Teas
- October – Pet Blessing and Bread Making
- November – Sip and Paint Afternoon
- December – Quiz night, Carols and Candles

Warden Name: *Jayne Smith* Date: *6<sup>th</sup> June 2024*

***St Michael and All Angels, Tongwynlais***

**1. Activities Progressing the Vision and Strategy**

- A monthly All Age Eucharist during which the young people participate in the readings, prayers and taking up the elements. No drop off in ordinary congregation.
- Collection of toiletries for asylum seekers.
- Collection of second hand clothes, via a Rotary Club, for the Huggard Centre, which supports homeless people.
- Christingle service well supported by the community.
- Local junior school visited the church for a "Christmas Experience".

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**2. Social Activities in the Community**

- Summer and Advent Fayres are well supported by the local community.
- St David's Day Quiz/Cheese and Wine evening.
- Lent lunches, profit given to charity.
- Premises used by local groups including Yoga group, Castell Coch Choir and Cubs.
- Castell Coch Choir hold their annual concerts in the church, in which local school children participate.
- Rotary Club use the church for their Christmas Carol Service.
- Pensioners' tea party organised by the Ladies' Circle, held during the Tongwynlais and Whitchurch Festival.
- The monthly Gardening Club is open to the local community.

**3. Plans for the Coming Year**

- Upgrade sound system to enable the use of Bluetooth.
- Investigate possible installation of WiFi for streaming of services.
- Look at the possibility of setting up a "100 Club" to involve the congregation and the local community.

*Warden Name: Gaynor Edwards Date: May 30th 2024*

***Creigiau Church Hall***

**1. Activities Progressing the Vision and Strategy**

- Monthly service of informal worship
- Monthly Messy Church
- Monthly Good News coffee morning
- Monthly community market
- Creigiau Companions every other week
- The social committee of the three churches arrange approximately 8 events a year which are held in the hall and are well attended.

**2. Social Activities in the Community**

- The hall continues to be used by 13 local groups and associations on a weekly basis.
- It is a popular venue for parties, fund raising events and concerts held in our community.
- A carol concert is held every year and Creigiau 23 have a Christmas grotto in the hall on Christmas eve for the children of our community.
- The Hall is used as a local polling station.

**3. Plans for the Coming Year**

- The hall will require repair to internal ceiling tiles and internal painting in the main hall.

*Booking Secretary: Mary Davies Date: 27<sup>th</sup> May 2024*

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***Christ Church New School Rooms, Radyr***

**1. Activities Progressing the Vision and Strategy**

- Well situated, well used presence in Radyr, available for use by the community as well as church groups. It should be noted that there are many alternative locations available for hire in Radyr.
- Church Sunday Club.
- Mothers' Union.
- Diocesan Hub uses upstairs room as office, also main hall for larger meetings.
- Garth MA meetings.

**2. Social Activities in the Community**

- The Hall is used by ten different local groups and organisations either weekly, monthly or sometimes less often
- In addition, it is a popular venue for children's parties, adult gatherings and other one-off events
- Church-run Lent Lunches, Harvest Lunches, occasional celebration lunches Shrove Tuesday Quiz Night.
- Two fundraising events July and November.
- Refreshments and fellowship after Sunday 11.00am service.

**3. Plans for the Coming Year**

- To continue to support and provide a facility for the church and the community
- After many years, deep clean and reseal of Hall floor needed.

*Booking Secretary: Nicky Webber      Date: 12<sup>th</sup> June 2024*

***St. John's Church Hall, Danescourt***

**1. Activities Progressing the Vision and Strategy**

- Well situated, well used presence in Danescourt. Available for use by the community as well as church groups, as there are minimal alternative locations available for hire
- Church Sunday Club welcomes youngsters in the community

**2. Social Activities in the Community**

- The Hall is used every weekday by an After School Club and weekly or monthly by local groups and associations (14)
- Popular venue for children's parties and other one-off events
- Church-run fortnightly Baby and Toddlers Group
- Church-run fortnightly Coffee Morning
- Three Church-run Charity Fundraising events in March, June and September
- The Hall is used as a local polling station

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### **3. Plans for the Coming Year**

- Replacement of four metal framed windows in the Churchyard facing wall of Hall
- Increasing insulation and ventilation in the attic.
- Deep clean and reseal of Hall floor
- Painting of the external walls

*Booking Secretary: Malcolm May                      Date: 12<sup>th</sup> June 2024*

### **Public Benefit**

We have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing our aims and objectives and in planning future activities. The benefit to the public is a feeling of spiritual stability and freedom within the Ministry Area for the benefit of all God's people. This is exercised through:

- the provision of regular public worship and pastoral work, including visiting the sick and bereaved.
- the teaching of Christianity through sermons and small groups, and the taking of assemblies in local schools.
- the promotion of Christianity through staging special services.

The activities take place in both the churches and church halls within the Ministry Area.

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### **Local Church Building Team**

Responsibility for looking after the property portfolio of the Ministry Areas lies with the individual churches and includes day to day matters to keep the buildings warm, welcoming and safe.

Expenditure was significantly less in 2023 compared with 2022 in the absence of any major projects. The most significant items of expense were:

- The installation of replacement heating at St Mary & James Church, Taffs Well.
- External improvements at Creigiau Church Hall creating an all year round outdoor and enclosed activity area.

There are a large volume of routine transactions on energy, annual or other frequency of tests on equipment, cleaning and ad-hoc repairs and thanks must be given to the church representatives and their treasurers in dealing with these matters.

Looking ahead to 2024, there have been a number of property issues arising which either have been dealt with or there are plans in hand to deal with. The expectation is for expenditure on properties to exceed that in 2023.

In addition, initial studies are being made into the reordering of one building to improve its flexibility of use and the major refurbishment of another building to make it suitable for use by third parties. Both projects are at early stages and there is no guarantee they will proceed.

Also subsequent to the year-end and under the terms of the Ministry Area Structure Document, a formal Buildings Team is proposed to encourage sharing of information regarding maintenance and property care amongst those responsible for looking after the Ministry Area properties.

My appreciation is expressed to the church members who have cared for the physical condition of their church buildings in a competent and timely manner.

*Michael Gill Ministry Area Treasurer*

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## **Financial Review**

### ***Background***

This is the second set of consolidated accounts for the MA following its creation on 1 January 2022 and accordingly the results for the year are comparable with the previous year.

Both the year under review and the previous year were free from Covid-19 restrictions and thus there were normal activity levels in the churches and halls.

### ***The Finance Team***

My appreciation is expressed to the Church treasurers and Gift Aid secretaries who served during 2023 for their continued commitment to looking after the financial affairs of their churches in a competent and timely manner.

### ***Accounting system***

This was the second full year of using the special church and charity accounting software as required by the Diocese. The treasurers' team is becoming more familiar with its requirements and is allowing the preparation of up to date financial information in a structured manner that was not previously possible under manual systems.

### ***Banking arrangements***

There are 8 current accounts operated by church treasurers. The Ministry Area is slowly moving its current accounts to be with Co-operative Bank to take advantage of dual online payment authorisation.

There were no changes in the deposit account arrangements with Epworth Investment Management. The funds are held in instant access accounts and benefit from attractive interest rates.

### ***Financial Results - Summary***

The overall result for the year is a loss of £2.3k, split as follows:

- The General Fund, being day to day income and expenditure of running the MA, churches and halls, incurred a loss of £13.6k. Only one pair of churches generated a surplus in the year, the other three church groupings incurred losses.
- A reduction in Designated Funds of £5k being mainly attributable to expenditure on a churchyard.
- An increase in Restricted Funds of £18k. This is due to the receipt of funds from a special project and a legacy for one of the churches.

### ***Financial Results – General Fund income***

The following comments are considered relevant:

- There was a significant reduction from £27.8k to £2k in grants received from the Diocese. This was offset by a rise in the Diocesan Fair Share rebate from 5% in 2022 to 10% in 2023.

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- Planned giving being a mixture of Gift Direct, weekly envelopes and standing orders was unchanged at £107k or 36% of total income. Related to this are tax refunds of £31k or 10% (2022 12%) of total income. This is the core funding of any church and with a combined total of 46% (2022 48%) of total income means that the churches are dependent on many other sources of income to try and meet costs.
- Fees comprise fees from weddings, baptisms and funerals.
- Fund raising includes traditional events held by individual churches such as summer fetes.
- Church hall and other property income from a residential investment property continues to be a very important source of income.
- Investment income comprises quarterly income from long term investments with the Church in Wales.
- The Ministry Area benefitted from the transfer of funds in various clearing bank accounts at the end of 2022 into the Epworth Cash Plus Fund for Charities and higher interest rates than in previous years. The expectation is for interest received in 2024 to fall as funds are withdrawn and the possibility of a decreases in interest rates,

***Financial Results – General Fund expenditure***

The following comments are considered relevant:

- The maintenance of ministry is solely the gross amount due to the Diocese and monthly payments in the current year are showing a further increase
- Maintenance of churches includes amongst other expenses, insurance, electricity, gas and repairs. The first three are largely fixed in nature; repairs will vary widely from year to year.
- Most churches have contracts in place for gas and electricity, but as a number of contracts expired in 2023 this year, energy costs have risen.
- Maintenance of other properties includes church halls and the residential property.
- Other expenses comprise a high volume of low value transactions to maintain services and church activities.

Overall the expectation is that total expenditure will increase in 2024 but it is too early to predict the amount. This is due to a number of factors potentially outside of the control of the Ministry Area.

***Reserves and bank balances***

Despite the small loss for the year, the MA had aggregate current and deposit account balances of £349k (2022 £370k). Although there is no formal policy regarding the holding of cash, as the closing readily available bank balances are equivalent to approx 13 months expenditure on the unrestricted reserves account, it is considered that the charity has adequate reserves to continue in operation for the foreseeable future.

***Long term investments***

The MA had aggregate long term investments with the Church in Wales of £208k (2022 £197k) at the year-end, this value reflecting a increase in value of approx 5% compared to their 2022 year end value. The investments are held for a combination of restricted and general funds with the probability that they would be cashed in for the purposes of acquiring additional property for use by the Ministry Area or major work, whether repair, renovation or re-ordering of existing buildings.

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The MA owns a residential investment property, located within the Ministry Area, which is let to a unrelated third party and is managed by a third party letting agent. The property was originally purchased for use as clergy accommodation within a former parish. It continues to be held either as a source of income or future use by Ministry Area clergy.

***The future***

If the MA is to reach a breakeven position, then as costs are mainly fixed or increasing, income must rise; specifically more people giving more regularly in a tax efficient manner.

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### **Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities**

Financial statements are required to be prepared for each financial year which give a true and fair view of its state of affairs at the balance sheet date and of the income and expenditure for the year then ended. These financial statements are required to be examined by independent accountants and copies made available to parishioners. In preparing these financial statements the trustees will have due regard to:

- selecting suitable accounting policies and applying them consistently making judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent observing applicable Accounting Standards
- preparing the financial statements on a going concern basis

The trustees, who are also members of the Ministry Area Council are responsible also for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy the financial position of the Garth Ministry Area and for safeguarding its assets.

The above report has been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice – Accounting and Reporting by Charities.

Approved by The Ministry Area Council on 19 June.2024 and signed on its behalf by:

Reverend S H Birdsall  
Ministry Area Leader

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**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE GARTH  
MINISTRY AREA**

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2023 which are set out on pages 22 to 27.

**Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner**

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of The Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by The Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

**Basis of Independent Examiner's Report**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by The Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a true and fair view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

**Independent Examiner's Statement**

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act

have not been met; or to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signature:.....

Date: 8 August 2024

Name: Mr Robert Hugh

Qualification: BSc., FCA

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES  
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	Notes	Unrestricted £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	This Year Total £	Last Year Total £
<b>INCOMING RESOURCES</b>							
<b>Voluntary resources</b>							
Direct giving: Planned		107,440				107,440	107,422
Church collections		25,950				25,950	26,434
Indirect giving : Tax refunds		31,379				31,379	35,226
<b>Activities for generating funds</b>							
Fees		10,751				10,751	18,251
Fund raising		19,665				19,665	18,238
Special collections		1,762				1,762	110
Miscellaneous income		11,190		12,491		23,681	4,822
Church Hall and other property income		42,806		308		43,114	33,160
Donations and legacies		12,676		10,000		22,676	13,309
<b>Investment income</b>							
Interest received		12,564				12,564	2,344
Common Investment Fund		3,492	735	1,134		5,361	3,352
<b>Other incoming resources</b>							
Grants from DBF		2,159				2,159	27,805
Ministry Area rebate		18,436				18,436	11,448
<b>Total Incoming resources</b>		<b>300,270</b>	<b>735</b>	<b>23,933</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>324,939</b>	<b>301,923</b>
<b>Outgoing resources expended for the promotion of the mission of the Church in the Parish</b>							
Maintenance of Ministry	4	184,365				184,365	174,092
Parochial expenses of Clerics		11,934				11,934	6,602
Maintenance of services		15,953				15,953	19,666
General church expenses	5	7,998				7,998	11,246
Maintenance of Churches		53,190	7,538	(143)		60,586	94,292
Maintenance of halls and other property		29,906		3,136		33,041	37,327
Missions Home	6a	3,858		2,809		6,667	8,600
World	6b	2,669				2,669	6,134
Costs of fund raising		4,082				4,082	2,757
<b>Total Outgoing resources</b>		<b>313,954</b>	<b>7,538</b>	<b>5,802</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>327,294</b>	<b>360,716</b>
<b>Net incoming/(outgoing) resources before transfers</b>		<b>(13,684)</b>	<b>(6,803)</b>	<b>18,131</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(2,355)</b>	<b>(58,794)</b>
Transfer between funds		2,102	(2,102)			0	0
Unrealised gains/(losses) on revaluation of:							
Investments		6,282	1,641	3,041		10,964	(23,055)
Investment property						0	175,000
<b>Net increase/(decrease) in funds</b>		<b>(5,300)</b>	<b>(7,263)</b>	<b>21,172</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>8,609</b>	<b>93,151</b>
Fund balances brought forward at 1st January		854,662	61,382	310,603	0	1,226,647	598,847
Fund balances introduced on creation of Ministry Area at 1 January 2022						0	534,649
<b>Fund balances carried forward at 31 December</b>		<b>849,362</b>	<b>54,119</b>	<b>331,775</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,235,256</b>	<b>1,226,647</b>

## BALANCE SHEET AT 31 DECEMBER 2023

	Notes	This Year £	Last Year £
<b>Fixed assets</b>			
Tangible assets	7	245,915	246,265
Investments	8	617,947	606,635
<b>Total of Fixed Assets</b>		<b>863,862</b>	<b>852,900</b>
<b>Current assets</b>			
Debtors	9	33,199	31,419
Cash at bank & in hand		349,107	371,368
		<b>382,306</b>	<b>402,787</b>
<b>Creditors falling due within one year</b>	10	<b>10,912</b>	<b>29,040</b>
<b>Net Current Assets</b>		<b>371,394</b>	<b>373,747</b>
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>		<b>1,235,256</b>	<b>1,226,647</b>
<b>TOTAL NET ASSETS</b>	12	<b>1,235,256</b>	<b>1,226,647</b>
<b>Income funds</b>			
Unrestricted: Ordinary	13	849,362	854,662
Designated	13	54,119	61,382
Restricted	13	331,775	310,603
Revaluation reserve	11	0	0
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>		<b>1,235,256</b>	<b>1,226,647</b>

Approved by The Ministry Area Council on 19 June 2024

and signed on its behalf by:

..... Reverend SH Birdsall (Ministry Area Leader)

..... Mr M Gill (Ministry Area Treasurer)

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
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**1. Accounting Policies**

The Financial Statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable United Kingdom accounting standards, the "Statement of Recommended Practice" issued by the Charity Commissioners and the Church in Wales Accounting Regulations.  
The historical cost convention is used as modified to include the revaluation of investments.  
The accruals basis of accounting has been adopted.  
The principal accounting policies are applied consistently.

**a. Fixed assets**

**Freehold property:** Churches, Churchyards and Vicarages are vested in the Representative Body of the Church in Wales; such property forms no part of the assets of the Ministry Area. Moveable Church contents require a faculty for disposal so are considered to be inalienable property and are not valued, nor recognised on the Balance Sheet. Expenditure incurred on Churches (including contents), Churchyards and Vicarages is written off when incurred.

Other freehold land and buildings are held in trust for the Ministry Area by either the Representative Body or the Llandaff Diocesan Board of Finance

The basis for valuation of other freehold land and buildings is :  
Church Halls are stated at cost  
Freehold property not used for church purposes is stated at valuation  
No provision for depreciation of land and buildings is made.

Routine additions and replacements to Church Hall contents are charged to current expenditure.

**b. Funds**

**Unrestricted funds:** are general funds which can be used for ordinary purposes.  
**Designated funds:** are funds which have been set aside for specific purposes but which can be returned to the general fund at any time if the trustees so decide.  
**Restricted funds:** represent income from trusts or endowments which may be expended only on those restricted objects provided in the terms of the trust or bequest. Any balance remaining unspent at the end of each year must be carried forward as a balance on that fund.

**c. Incoming resources:**

these are all accounted for gross.  
Planned giving, collections and donations are recognised when received.  
Indirect giving: Tax refunds are recognised as soon as the amounts are claimable.  
Grants and Legacies are accounted for when the Ministry Area is legally entitled to the amounts due.  
Investment income: Dividends are accounted for when receivable; interest and tax recoverable are accrued. Where the Ministry Area has not invested separately for each fund interest is apportioned to individual funds on an average balance basis.  
All other income is generally recognised when it is receivable.

**d. Outgoing resources**

Ministry Area Fair share is paid in periodic instalments and is included in expenditure for the year to which it relates.  
All other expenditure is generally recognised when it is incurred.

**e. Investments**

Investments are stated at valuation as advised by the Church in Wales.

**2. Fees for Financial Statements Examination**

	<b>This Year</b>	<i>Last Year</i>
	£	£
Independent examiner's fees for reporting on the Financial Statements	<b>1,400</b>	<i>2,400</i>

**3. Number of employees.**

There are four paid employees. No payments were made to MAC members.

	Unrestricted £	Designated £	Restricted £	<b>This Year</b> £	<i>Last Year</i> £
<b>4 Maintenance of ministry:</b>					
Diocesan Fair Share	184,365			<b>184,365</b>	<i>171,596</i>
Other expenses				<b>0</b>	<i>2,496</i>
				<b>0</b>	<i>0</i>
	<b>184,365</b>	-	-	<b>184,365</b>	<i>174,092</i>

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	Unrestricted £	Designated £	Restricted £	<b>This Year</b> £	<i>Last Year</i> £
<b>5 General Parish Expenses:</b>					
Examiner's fees	1,400			<b>1,400</b>	2,400
Payroll and other professional fess	450			<b>450</b>	1,468
Bank charges and interest paid	231			<b>231</b>	112
Depreciation	350			<b>350</b>	350
Printing postage and stationery	1,929			<b>1,929</b>	2,425
Office and general expenditure	1,563			<b>1,563</b>	4,491
Retirement and leaving gifts	2,075			<b>2,075</b>	-
	<b>7,998</b>	-	-	<b>7,998</b>	11,246
<b>6a Payments to Ministry Area missions:</b>					
Children and young people activity costs	1,677			<b>1,677</b>	466
Cost of church publications	1,794			<b>1,794</b>	1,743
Other mission work	387			<b>387</b>	700
Syrian Refugees: 1 Family Cardiff			2,809	<b>2,809</b>	5,691
	<b>3,858</b>	-	<b>2,809</b>	<b>6,667</b>	8,600
<b>6b Missions and Grants Home/World</b>					
UK Charities	1,623			<b>1,623</b>	3,830
International mission and projects	1,046			<b>1,046</b>	2,304
	<b>2,669</b>	-	-	<b>2,669</b>	6,134
<b>Total Missions</b>	<b>6,527</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2,809</b>	<b>9,336</b>	14,734
<b>7 Tangible Fixed Assets</b>					
		Freehold property £	Fixtures & fittings £	<b>This Year</b> £	<i>Last Year</i> £
Cost or valuation:	Balance 1st January 2023	245,914	2,214	<b>248,128</b>	483,128
	Additions			<b>0</b>	0
	Reclassification			<b>0</b>	(235,000)
	Revaluation			<b>0</b>	0
	Disposals			<b>0</b>	0
	Balance 31 December 2023	<b>245,914</b>	<b>2,214</b>	<b>248,128</b>	248,128
Accumulated depreciation	Balance 1st January 2023	0	1,863	<b>1,863</b>	1,513
	On disposals			<b>0</b>	0
	Charge for the year		350	<b>350</b>	350
	Eliminated on disposals			<b>0</b>	0
Accumulated depreciation	Balance 31 December 2023	<b>0</b>	<b>2,213</b>	<b>2,213</b>	1,863
Net book value:	Balance 31 December 2023	<b>245,914</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>245,915</b>	246,265
	Balance 31 December 2022	245,914	351	<b>246,265</b>	481,615

Freehold Property at 31 December 2023 comprises church halls at cost.

<b>8 Investments</b>	Investment Properties	Other investments	<b>This Year</b>	<i>Last Year</i>
At valuation:	£	£	£	£
Balance 1 January 2023	410,000	196,635	<b>606,635</b>	58,972
Fund balances introduced on creation of Ministry Area at 1 January 2022			<b>0</b>	160,718
Reclassification			<b>0</b>	235,000
Additions		348	<b>348</b>	0
Unrealised gain on revaluation of investments		10,964	<b>10,964</b>	151,945
Balance 31 December 2023	<b>410,000</b>	<b>207,947</b>	<b>617,947</b>	<b>606,635</b>
Investment Properties comprise	At valuation			
Residential Investment Property	235,000			
Agricultural land	175,000			
	<u>410,000</u>			

The market value of the residential investment property has been assessed by the Trustees following the receipt of independent advice.

Investment properties are held by The Representative Body of the Church in Wales on behalf of The Garth Ministry Area.

Other Investments represents shares in the Common Investment Fund held by The Representative Body of the Church in Wales on behalf of The Garth Ministry Area.

<b>9 Debtors</b>		
Income tax recoverable	<b>13,433</b>	11,606
Diocesan Fair Share Rebate	<b>4,609</b>	13,401
Other debtors and prepayments	<b>15,157</b>	6,412
	<b>33,199</b>	<b>31,419</b>

<b>10 Creditors falling due within one year</b>		
Other creditors and accrued expenses	<b>10,912</b>	29,040
	<b>10,912</b>	<b>29,040</b>

<b>11 Revaluation reserve</b>		
At 31st December 2022	<b>0</b>	149,500
Transfer to unrestricted fund	<b>0</b>	(149,500)
Arising from revaluation of investment property	<b>0</b>	0
At 31st December 2023	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

<b>Analysis of Net</b>				<b>This Year</b>
<b>12 Assets by Fund</b>	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	£
	£	£	£	£
At 31 December 2023				
Tangible assets	245,915			245,915
Investments	354,001	31,059	232,887	617,947
Debtors	20,511	12,688		33,199
Cash at Bank and in Hand	239,847	10,372	98,888	349,107
	<u>860,274</u>	<u>54,119</u>	<u>331,775</u>	<u>1,246,168</u>
Creditors amounts falling due within one year	<b>(10,912)</b>			<b>(10,912)</b>
	<u>849,362</u>	<u>54,119</u>	<u>331,775</u>	<u>1,235,256</u>
At 31 December 2022				
Tangible assets	246,265			246,265
Investments	347,716	29,418	229,501	606,635
Debtors	31,419			31,419
Cash at Bank and in Hand	255,480	32,563	83,325	371,368
	<u>880,880</u>	<u>61,981</u>	<u>312,826</u>	<u>1,255,687</u>
Creditors amounts falling due within one year	<b>(26,217)</b>	<b>(599)</b>	<b>(2,224)</b>	<b>(29,040)</b>
	<u>854,663</u>	<u>61,382</u>	<u>310,602</u>	<u>1,226,647</u>

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Note 13: Movement in Reserves

		Fund balances brought forward	Incoming Resources	Outgoing Resources	Transfers between Funds	Revaluation of Investments	Revaluation of land	Fund balances carried forward
		31 December 2022						31 December 2023
<b>Church</b>								
General unrestricted fund	All churches combined	854,662	300,270	(313,954)	2,102	6,282	0	849,362
<b>Designated Funds:</b>								
Fabric Repairs	Christ Church, Radyr	31,743	735			1,641		34,120
Legacies For Internal Expenditure	St Marys, St Fagans	9,564						9,564
Restoration And Heating Fund	St Mary and James, Taffs Well	9,639		(7,537)	(2,102)			(0)
DBF re Sale Of Land	St Mary and James, Taffs Well:	10,436						10,436
Sub-total: Designated Funds		61,382	735	(7,537)	(2,102)	1,641	0	54,119
<b>Restricted Funds:</b>								
1 Family Cardiff		(501)	12,491	(2,809)				9,181
Farrance decd Legacy	St Catwgs, Pentyrch		10,000					10,000
St Davids Churchyard	St David, Groesfaen	8,378	205			459		9,042
COIF	St Elteyrn, Capel Llanilltern	41,870	240			2,290		44,400
Davies Dec'd Legacy	St Elteyrn, Capel Llanilltern	33,938	521	(3,976)				30,483
Land adj to St Elteyrns, Capel Llanillterm	St Elteyrn, Capel Llanilltern	175,000						175,000
GM Jones Dec'd Legacy	St John the Baptist, Danescourt	1,460						1,460
Chacel Repair Fund	St John the Baptist, Danescourt		345					345
Earl Of Plymouth	St Marys, St Fagans	38,698		983				39,681
St Mary's Churchyard Fund - The Forrest Family	St Marys, St Fagans	6,223						6,223
The Honorable G Lewis Memorial Fund	St Marys, St Fagans	5,535	131			293		5,959
Sub-total: Restricted Funds		310,603	23,933	(5,802)	0	3,041	0	331,775
<b>Total for all funds</b>		<b>1,226,647</b>	<b>324,939</b>	<b>(327,293)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>10,964</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,235,256</b>

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### Structure and governance

The Benefice of The Garth Ministry Area is situated in the communities of Capel Llaniltern, Creigiau, Danescourt, Groes Faen, Pentyrch, Radyr, St Fagans, Taffs Well and Tongwynlais, all situated to or in the North and North West of Cardiff.

The Ministry Area is within the Deanery of Cardiff, part of the Diocese of Llandaff and within the Church in Wales.

The dedication of the Ministry Area for the year under review and their locations are:

Christ Church	Radyr, Cardiff
Creigiau Church Hall	Creigiau
St Catwg	Pentyrch
St David	Groes Faen
St Ellteyrn	Capel Llanilltern
St John Baptist	Danescourt, Cardiff
St James	Taffs Well
St Mary	St Fagans
St Michael	Tongwynlais

It was the responsibility of both the Ministry Area Council (MAC) and the Incumbents to work together and co-operate in all matters of concern and importance to the Ministry Area for the promotion of the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical.

On 1st January 2022 Radyr Parochial Church Council changed its name to The Garth Ministry Area.

In addition on 1st January 2022, the Ministry Area absorbed the following parishes:

- The Parish of Pentyrch
- The Parish of St Fagans and Michaelston-Super-Ely
- The Parish of Tongwynlais

The appointed clergy are:

- |                            |                             |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| • Reverend SG Willson      | <i>Ministry Area Leader</i> |
| • Reverend SH Birdsall     | <i>Vicar</i>                |
| • Reverend IJ Yemm         | <i>Vicar</i>                |
| • Reverend R Coombs        | <i>Vicar</i>                |
| • Reverend BJ Huxtable-Goy | <i>Curate</i>               |

The principal address of the charity:

- The Rectory, Rectory Close, Radyr, Cardiff CF15 8EW

Independent Examiner:

- Mr Robert Hugh, Robert Hugh Ltd, 15 Dan y Bryn Avenue, Radyr, Cardiff CF15 8DD

Bankers:

- The Cooperative Bank, PO Box 250, Skelmersdale, Lancashire, WN8 6WT
- Lloyds Bank
- Natwest Bank

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The trustees, who are also members of the Ministry Area Council ("MAC"), during the financial year were as follows.

<b>Name</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Date of appointment</b>
Reverend Steve Willson	Vicar and Ministry Area Leader	23 January 2022
Reverend Sandra Birdsall	Vicar	24 July 2022
Reverend Ruth Coombs	Vicar	5 August 2022
Reverend Belinda Huxtable-Goy	Curate	
Reverend Ian Yemm	Vicar	24 July 2022
Reverend Vicky Burrows	Vicar	Resigned 17 April 2022
John Kiff	Ministry Area Lay Chair	
Andrew Dodd	Ministry Area Warden	23 January 2022 (Retired 24 June 2023)
Paul Marshall	Ministry Area Warden	23 January 2022
Margaret Jones	Ministry Area Secretary	23 January 2022
Michael Gill	Ministry Area Treasurer	23 January 2022
Amanda Russell-Jones	Elected Member	23 January 2022
Michael Edwards	Elected Member	23 January 2022
Rosalind James	Elected Member	23 January 2022
Geoffrey Moses	Elected Member	23 January 2022
Paul Owens	Elected Member	23 January 2022
Ruth Davies	Ministry Area Warden	24 June 2023

The following Trustees or other officers retired on 23 January 2022 unless otherwise stated

- Margaret Smart
- Cheryl Evans
- Nick Hawkins
- Robert Williams
- Julie Davies
- Rubina Davison
- Pauline Parry
- Malcolm May
- Nicola Webber
- Mary Cooksley
- Sally Morgan
- Derek Bateman
- Rhys James
- Delyth Fagan
- Luke Whitlock

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The charity is an unincorporated entity but is registered with the Charity Commission for England & Wales, registered number 1132144.

The charity is governed by the Constitution of the Church In Wales adopted on 31 March 2020.

The charity is under the control of the Trustees who meet periodically under the title of a "Ministry Area Council ("MAC")" which held eight meetings during the year under review.

The principal role of the MAC is to provide a strategic overview of the charity with day to day management being delegated to nominated individuals for Ministry Area matters or a group of church members for the maintenance of services and buildings for each church or hall. Reports from individual officers and church wardens on behalf of each church are given later in this document.

Subsequent to the year end, the MAC approved the creation of an Executive Committee comprising the clergy, Ministry Area Wardens and Ministry Area Treasurer. The Committee is authorised to meet in-between full MAC meetings to deal with matters arising on a timely basis.

The MAC is also developing a 10 year Vision and Strategy. This is an ongoing project and the current status is as below.

### **Background / Issue:**

- Steady decline in membership (see charts overleaf).
- **We are failing in our mission.** (see the Five Marks of Mission overleaf)
- We need a motivating **vision** of what we want & need to be.
- We need a strategy to get there.

### **Our 'Big Gaps' (as an MA)**

- 1) **Not growing in existing communities and**
- 2) **Not present in our new communities (Plasdwr etc.)**

### **Our Overall Vision** (where we want to get to / what we want to 'look like' as a MA)

<p><b>We are flourishing, active in all our communities, and confident about using our words and actions to share the love of God to all.</b></p>
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See the five elements of our Vision overleaf.

### **Root Causes of our Gaps** (things that we can address to close our gaps)

- A. Not replacing ageing (increasingly less active) congregation members.
- B. Not effective in attracting all generations / life-stages.
- C. Experience of church (in all its aspects) not sufficiently meaningful/relevant.
- D. Not good at articulating/defending our faith effectively to others.
- E. Insufficiently active/visible in our communities – especially Plasdwr.
- F. Volunteering decreasing so expectations of clergy are becoming greater.

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**Our Key Strategic Actions**

<b>No</b>	<b>Root Cause Letter</b>	<b>Key Strategic Actions</b> Aim for 'Belonging before Believing' in each
1.	<b>E</b>	Establish a welcoming Christian presence, worship & activity in the new communities in the MA
2.	<b>A, B, C</b>	Establish friendly, accessible worship and activities that appeal to all generations, young families and children – with meaningful follow-up
3.	<b>C, D</b>	Communicate what we do and why we do it and our own faith stories, meaningfully – online, in our buildings and via activities and services
4.	<b>D, F</b>	Grow each of our abilities to articulate our faith effectively to others (Telling the Joyful Story)
5	<b>C, E, F</b>	Engage <b>all</b> our people in having <b>a role</b> in the life of the church and in achieving our Vision with a succession plan for all roles
6	<b>F</b>	Grow and develop new leaders to collaborate with the clergy in delivering the Vision

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### **Digital Communications Team (DCT) Report**

In May 2022, The MAC decided there was a need to create a team, to take forward the initiatives and changes needed to facilitate good communication. With several volunteers, the Digital Communications Team (DCT) was formed. The inaugural meeting was held on 23rd of August 2022 and consisted of people from across the Ministry Area (MA). DCT has met nine times since its inauguration.

During the initial scoping discussions, it became apparent that three outcomes were necessary to succeed. They were:

#### **1. A New Ministry Area Website**

That a new Garth MA website be developed. This would involve the decommissioning of all existing church websites and new areas set up within the Ministry Area's site. One of the benefits in achieving this is collaboration of people from across our MA, which is well underway.

**Progress to date** – we have created a test website. The structure of the website is in place and currently being populated with content. With eight churches and four halls to consider, content creation has been slow but is now advanced. It will be complete by September 2023 when we will launch the new website.

#### **2. Secure Storage Facility**

As the old "parishes" carried out similar activities (e.g. kept churches well maintained, applied for grants, booked out Halls, carried out accessibility checks etc) it was evident that all would benefit by sharing resources and not 'reinventing the wheel'. To this end, a single, secure, digital storage system was required for sharing information. This would also benefit the Clergy enabling them to share information in carrying out their day-to-day tasks.

**Progress to date** – several solutions were assessed and DCT finally opted for a Windows based solution which is free of charge to charitable organisations. Detailed analyses were carried out to determine the many folders required for storage and most importantly, who would have access. A few areas will be accessible to Ministry Area Council members only, and many will be only to be accessible to Clergy. However, most will be available to everyone.

It is planned that we move away from personal email addresses for all external facing communications and move to a "role" based solution. Several role-based email addresses have already been created and this is to be further rolled out over the forthcoming weeks. The storage facility is in the process of being created and once finished, will enable even more collaborative work and data sharing across the MA.

#### **3. Branding**

The DCT recognise the need for people to identify the Garth Ministry Area and its media, be it online or in paper format, and that branding is key to this. In late 2022, we asked for help in creating a logo. DCT were looking for a logo which reflects the Garth Mountain and the Cross and were open to suggestions.

**Progress to date** – several solutions were assessed and DCT finally opted for the logo they considered best fitted the requirement. The new logo was put before the Ministry Area Council after the Vestry Meeting in April 2023 and was unanimously agreed.

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Since that time, logos for each church (in both colour and greyscale) have been created, all with transparent backgrounds to enable them to suit any media. A Style Guide has also been produced and circulated, outlining how to use the logos.

**4. Social Media**

Currently several Facebook pages exist throughout the MA. Also, YouTube contained many videos created during lockdown.

**Progress to date** – Facebook pages are to be rationalised into one group with a page for each church. YouTube videos have been archived, leaving the most recent. A Social Media Policy has been agreed along with a Consent Form (for people to complete giving authority for the publication of photographs on the website or social media).

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## **Safeguarding Officers Report**

### ***Safeguarding is Everyone's Responsibility***

The Church in Wales aims to create and maintain an organisational culture that reflects the importance of safeguarding. The welfare of children and adults at risk is paramount and takes precedence over all other considerations.

Just as Jesus is the ultimate refuge and place of safety, as His representative on earth we are called to 'embody' Him. Safeguarding is part of our core faith and an integral feature of Christian life in our churches across the Garth Ministry Area.

Safeguarding means preventing harm to children and adults at risk by protecting them from abuse or neglect. The Church in Wales is committed to safeguarding as an integral part of its life, mission and ministry. Within the Garth Ministry Area we uphold the Church in Wales aims to:

- promote the wellbeing of children and adults at risk;
- raise awareness of safeguarding within the Church;
- work to prevent abuse or harm from occurring;
- seek to protect and respond well to those that have been abused.

To make the policies and procedures more accessible to all members of the church community, the Church in Wales has reviewed and updated all of them and made them available for everyone on the Church in Wales website.

<https://www.churchinwales.org.uk/en/clergy-and-members/safeguarding/>

As a Ministry Area we have formally adopted this policy and its associated procedures.

In the Garth Ministry Area we use the Church in Wales secure dashboard, My Church People, to support the Ministry Area in maintaining accurate records about those who work or volunteer across our churches. It is used to manage the DBS process, records completed training and triggers reminders when checks or additional training is required.

We promote the completion of safeguarding training for all within our churches. This includes the Church in Wales 'Core Learning Pathways' which provide a range of safeguarding learning developed to build knowledge according to role and responsibility. Additional learning modules have been developed to enhance safeguarding knowledge on particular subject areas, or for specific roles, and these are undertaken where required. The current additional modules from the 'Issue Based Learning Pathways' include Domestic Abuse Awareness, Pastoral Care, Supporting Survivors and Modern Slavery and Exploitation.

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### **Objectives and Activities**

The principal objective of the charity is the promotion of the mission of the church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical in the Ministry Area. Individual Church Reports detailing the activities undertaken in respect of the above are as follows:

#### **Christ Church, Radyr - Warden's Report 2022**

##### **Clergy**

Thank you to all the clergy who supported us during the vacancy. On 24<sup>th</sup> July 2023, the Rev'd Ian Yemm and the Rev'd Sandra Birdsall were licensed as Vicars in the Garth Ministry Area. It has been lovely to welcome Ian and Bernhard to Radyr and Danescourt.

##### **Attendance, Mission Activities and Outreach**

Christ Church is open most days for visitors seeking a bit of solitude or the comfort of prayer.

Activities within the church included

- 5 public concerts, including those of Radyr Comprehensive School and Radyr Primary School. All were well attended.
- A 2-day Christmas Experience in church for Pupils from Bryn Deri Primary School.
- The annual civic service for Radyr and Morganstown Community Council
- 20 Baptisms, 7 Funerals and 3 Weddings
- A 'Mock Wedding' for pupils from Bryn Deri Primary school came, complete with bride, bridegroom, bridesmaids, best man, wedding guests and even a Vicar!
- Harvest- with themed arrangements decorating the church, and donations of food for the Cardiff Food Bank.
- Remembrance Sunday traditional service and parade for and by uniformed organizations
- A Christmas Tree Festival
- A Christmas Crib service including lots of angels, wise men and shepherds.
- Advent discussion sessions and 4 Lenten Talks.
- A well attended series of services during Holy Week, culminating with the 11a.m. Easter Sunday Holy Eucharist in our beautifully decorated church, Thank you to everyone involved.

Thank you to those kind people who put flowers on the Altar, and to those who serve refreshments each week. To the choir, organists, bell ringers, sides people, readers and intercessors, money counters, sub wardens, and clergy, all of whom make Christ Church such a welcoming place in which to worship.

##### **Sunday Club Report**

The children enjoy a mix of crafts, puzzles & discussions as we explore the Gospels & Bible stories in our weekly sessions. They are always keen to help lead worship at the Family Services.

Youth Club and confirmation classes have been well attended. These have been staffed from across the Ministry Area, and hosted in Radyr, with the confirmation service being held in Christ Church.

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### **Streaming**

The church continues to stream the 11.00 a.m Sunday service, along with some special services, plus weddings and funerals on request, We are aware that the live transmissions of weddings and funerals have been seen in the U.S.A, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa as well as Europe and the U.K. The number of recoded viewings considerably exceeds the number of live viewings. The total number of subscribers justifies the provision of the service but the team responsible for streaming is seeking another team member to spread the load.

### **Activities**

The two large activities were:

- In July there was the annual Family Fun Day themed “Jubilee”. The usual stalls and entertainments were present, the weather held and many families came from the wider community, and fun was had by everyone. We raised over £3,000.
- November hosts the Get Ready For Christmas event. This was very well attended and again we raised over £3,000.

Other events included:

- Harvest and Candlemas lunches, both of which were very successful, with delicious food provided by everyone who came.
- The popular Shrove Tuesday quiz was held in February, and for the first time in three years, Lent lunches were re-instated taking place on 6 consecutive Fridays. These two events raised the magnificent sum of £1,673 for Christian Aid.

Many thanks to everyone who worked so hard at both these events especially the event leaders.

### **Choir Report**

Christ Church Choir has sung faithfully at all relevant services over the past year, including one wedding, in September 2022. David Hutchings was appointed Choir Leader in April 2022 and has given us new direction to our singing and improved our tone and competence. Numbers remain small and new members are always welcome. We would also like to note and express our appreciation to Ian Yemm for being so supportive of our effort.

### **Radyr Bellringers 2022**

Membership is unfortunately falling but is sufficient to allow regular practice and provision of bell ringing at services.

The Bell Assembly is in good general condition with little maintenance required.

### **Buildings**

In the last year:

- The periodic Quinquennial report recommended work on the Bell Tower leadwork to stop the ingress of water. This has been completed and the effectiveness of the work is under continuing review. There was no other work of significance undertaken on either the Church or New School Rooms
- All regular maintenance issues, PAT testing, fire equipment checks, heating system servicing have been completed.

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**New Schoolrooms**

Several church activities take place in the hall every year and these have been described above in activities. On a regular basis, Sunday Club, Mothers Union and Good Neighbours meet there too. Bumps a Daisy filled a regular Wednesday morning slot until October. The Ministry Area Council regularly meet there and the MA Youth Club and Confirmation Group meet on some Sunday evenings. We welcomed pupils from Danescourt Primary School for sessions connected to their curriculum topics incorporating evacuation during World War II. They travelled by train, suitably dressed for the period and carrying their gas mask boxes!

Priority is always given to church functions but use by the community is something that the Church continues to actively encourage and has been regularly used by many local organizations. It is also a very popular venue for children's and adult parties and, occasionally, for receptions following funerals.

**St John Baptist, Danescourt - Warden's Report 2022**

**Clergy**

Following the retirement of Rev'd Vicky Burrows in April 2022, in July we welcomed Rev'd Ian Yemm and Bernhard and with the help of the remaining clergy this became a very smooth and welcome transition.

**Attendance**

We had lost a number of worshippers over the pandemic and slowly some have had confidence to return. We have seen a steady if small growth in worshippers over the last year and we have all worked together to ensure we have practised welcome and hospitality to everyone. We are grateful to the large team who enable services to be held. The Thursday morning Holy Eucharist continues to be well supported. The summer evening prayer services were continued during Winter 2022/2023 and it is pleasing to report that numbers have kept up during the winter months and this has become an area of growth and fellowship. We are grateful to the large team who enable services to be held throughout the week and indeed the year.

**Mission Activities and Outreach**

In September 2022 two new activities run by church members started with a Toddler group and Coffee Morning alternating on Tuesday mornings during term time. Both are proving successful.

Our Sunday Club is growing and we are very grateful to our small but very dedicated band of leaders.

All Christmas services were well supported and the Christingle service was a delight with lots of children attending.

A St David's Day lunch for Guide Dogs Cymru which produced a full Parish Hall and raised £1000.

Our Easter Services were particularly well attended. This year (2023) we held our Maundy Thursday evening service in St John's which included a foot wash and a central altar in church for the Last Supper.

We are grateful to the event leaders and team members who contributed to the success of the above.

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Our Church Hall continues to be well used by the community. We warmly welcomed Caroline Murphy as our Bookings manager for the Church Hall and give thanks to her and the maintenance and cleaning team for their work.

We look forward to reviving the relationship with Danescourt Primary School with a new head and Rev'd Ian.

### **Buildings**

In the autumn someone broke a window near the altar and gained access to the Church. Fortunately no internal damage occurred and a permanent window repair is outstanding. There were no large maintenance works in the year, with all regular utility and other checks continuing.

## **St Catwg, St David, St Ellteyrn, Creigiau Church Hall - Wardens Report 2022**

### **Attendance Trends**

The number of parishioners attending St Catwg is an average of 50 which is almost back to the pre covid average. A regular group of 20 attend the Wednesday morning service.

The numbers of parishioners attending St David has increased to an average of 24 which is an increase of about 4 people. The Tuesday morning service has also increased from an average of 3-4 attending to 6 people

The number of parishioners attending St Ellteyrn remains stable with an average of 5 regular members with 1 new addition. This is comparable with pre covid numbers.

The monthly family service structure has recently changed. The numbers attending prior to this change has slowly increased back to pre covid levels. Unfortunately the number of young people attending remains very low.

The Sunday Club sadly has very few children currently attending, at most 4.

### **Mission Activities and Outreach**

Coffee is served following Sunday and midweek services in all three churches.

St Catwg have held a number of successful concerts over the year.

St David's is being used to host a monthly coffee morning run by a local group to raise funds for the community. It has also been the venue for a number of concerts and is used as a polling station.

St Ellteyrn held a coffee morning in the autumn and would like to provide this on a more regular basis for the growing community in the new houses nearby.

The monthly Good News Coffee Morning continues to be held and supported by the local community and groups in the Creigiau Church Hall.

The monthly Community Market has restarted and again is well supported by the local community.

The social committee have reformed and organised a number of successful events well attended by our parishioners and some members of the local community.

Creigiau Church Hall continues to be well used by local groups and private individuals. In total 10 groups use the hall weekly with two new additions about to start in the coming month.

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**Buildings**

There is nothing of significance to report from St Catwg or St David, both churches remain in good order.

The repointing of the boundary wall is due to start soon at St Ellteyrn's and the handrails have at last been fitted.

Creigiau Church Hall will have a new fence erected at the side of the building and the ground covering replaced to the rear of the building this summer. A new notice board has been purchased and will also be erected at this time.

**St Mary, St Fagans - Wardens Report 2022**

**Attendance Trends**

Attendance on Sunday mornings is not yet fully back to pre-Covid levels, currently 30 – 40 people attend Morning Worship on a weekly basis. An early morning service has recently been re-introduced on the first Sunday of each month.

**Mission Activities**

During the latter part of 2022 links have been strengthened with St Fagans 'Church in Wales Primary School, which has included regular assemblies, a visit to St Mary's from year 4 pupils, a whole school Eucharist, and the whole school attending Experience Christmas led by volunteers from St Mary's and the wider Ministry Area.

**Social Activities**

We have an active Social Committee which organises a range of fundraising activities, including Summer & Winter Fairs, skittle events and quizzes, to raise funds for the church.

**Buildings**

We have a full maintenance and servicing programme which is carried out annually, including the heating system, church organ, roof alarm, fire extinguishers, and PAT testing of electrical equipment. Roof repairs were carried out at a cost of over £33,000. It has been decided not to proceed with the installation of a kitchenette at the rear of the north aisle for financial reasons.

**St Michael and All Angels - Warden's Report for year 2022.**

2022 was year of challenge and change. We officially became part of the Garth Ministry Area under the leadership of Rev Vicky Burrows. Rev Vicky resigned early in the year and Rev Steve Wilson took over from her. Also Rev Sandra and Rev Ian were appointed. We are of course very grateful for all that Lindsay does to help.

**Attendance trends**

We are still recovering from COVID and attendance at the regular Sunday Eucharist service has been around 30 communicants. There are still a small number who have not returned to Sunday worship although it was lovely to see a few of those members when they joined us for worship on Easter Sunday. The Sunday school has a small number of regular students led by Linda and Louise. Two of our young members Rhiannon and Morgan will be confirmed on April 30th in Radyr.

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**Mission and Social Activities**

On the social side we have been able to resurrect our St David's Quiz and once again the Lent Lunches proved not only a means of raising money for charity but also an excellent chance for people to meet and talk. Our two annual Fayres are also an occasion where members come together in friendship whilst at the same time raising much needed funds for the church.

We have two well supported groups in the Mothers' Union and Ladies Circle, which are open to ladies from outside the congregation as well as the Gardening Club.

Thanks to all those who help in anyway whatsoever with the running of our church but we always need more volunteers.

**Buildings**

The church building itself does need some attention, this was mentioned in the last quinquennial report but again COVID has had an impact. We really need someone to take on responsibility for maintenance of the building, Thanks to Kathryn Jones who has obtained a quote for some work. We need a PAT test on our electrics and the gas boilers need a service. These are matters that the late Mike Griffiths previously organised.

We hope that this year 2023 will be one of stability and progress.

**St Mary and St James, Taffs Well - Warden's Report 2022**

**Attendance**

Attendance has risen steadily post Covid to around 17-20 and has been particularly good for our more innovative services 30+. The weekly Tuesday morning Eucharist has restarted and has a steady attendance of between 4 and 6 people. We have two very dedicated young servers at our main Sunday Service.

**Mission and Social Activities**

Special services in 2022 included a Pet Blessing Service and the service of Remembrance in Taffs Well Park. We had a particularly moving and well attended service of carols, readings and remembrance at Christmas where we were supported by the local community choir and musicians from our congregation. The orange glow of the heaters adding to the atmosphere.

Our social events have picked up post Covid and are well supported particularly the Advent Quiz which was a great success. The church and hall is used by outside organisations such as hand bell ringers, table football as well as for hosting concerts by the Taffs Well Community Choir.

**Buildings**

It has taken many years but we finally were able to obtain a faculty to replace the heaters so a big thank you to Ian Fergus for his dedication to making new heaters a reality.

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### **Public Benefit**

We have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing our aims and objectives and in planning future activities. The benefit to the public is a feeling of spiritual stability and freedom within the Ministry Area for the benefit of all God's people. This is exercised through:

- the provision of regular public worship and pastoral work, including visiting the sick and bereaved.
- the teaching of Christianity through sermons and small groups, and the taking of assemblies in local schools.
- the promotion of Christianity through staging special services.

The activities take place in both the churches and church halls within the Ministry Area.

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## **Financial Review**

### ***Background***

This is the first set of consolidated accounts for the MA following its creation on 1 January 2022. Accordingly there are no readily available comparative results for 2021.

The year under review was also the first one after the removal of Covid-19 restrictions and saw a return to more normal activity levels in the churches and halls.

### ***The Finance Team***

My appreciation is expressed to the Church treasurers and Gift Aid secretaries who served during 2022. They have all had a particularly challenging time managing church finances through the Coronavirus period.

### ***Accounting system***

The Diocese now requires financial transactions to be recorded using special church and charity accounting software. Implementation did not start until the last quarter of 2022 and it is impossible to quantify the amount of additional work this has caused in entering transactions from 1 January 2022. That work was in addition to treasurers looking after the day to day financial affairs. My thanks go to the individual treasurers for undertaking this additional work.

### ***Banking arrangements***

There are 8 current accounts operated by church treasurers. There was just one change in the year with Christ Church/St John's changing from Nat West Bank to Co-operative Bank to utilise internet banking arrangements.

A number of under-used and low yielding deposit accounts were closed in the year.

Four new deposit accounts were opened with Epworth Investment Management to add to the existing account used by the Pentyrch Churches. Epworth is related to the Methodist Church and offers attractive interest rates on deposits and readily available funds. The MA is benefitting from rising interest rates on surplus funds.

### ***Financial Results - Summary***

The overall result for the year is a loss of £59k, split as follows:

- The General Fund, being day to day income and expenditure of running the MA, churches and halls, incurred a loss of £22k. Only one former parish broke-even in the year, the other three incurred losses.
- A reduction in Designated Funds of £4k being exceptional expenditure on church buildings.
- A reduction in Restricted Funds of £33k of which £5.7k relates to support of church projects and the balance to exceptional expenditure on church buildings. The exceptional expenditure on church buildings is not expected to recur in 2023.
- Although there is a minor deficit on one of the restricted funds, subsequent to the year end, the charity should receive sufficient funds to place it in credit. The full impact of that receipt will be included in the 2023 Financial Statements.

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***Financial Results – General Fund income***

The following comments are considered relevant:

- Within the total of £201k, there is £21k of non recurring grants that were received from the Llandaff Diocese in respect of Coronavirus support and certain administrative and other expenses. The Diocese is giving a 10% rebate on the Fair Share for 2023.
- Planned giving being a mixture of Gift Direct, weekly envelopes and standing orders amounts to £107k or 36% of total income. Related to this are tax refunds of £35k or 12% of total income. This is the core funding of any church and with a combined total of 48% of total income means that the churches are dependent on many other sources of income to try and meet costs.
- Fees comprise fees from weddings, baptisms and funerals.
- Fund raising includes traditional events held by individual churches such as summer fetes.
- Church hall and other property income continues to be a very important source of income.
- Investment income comprises quarterly income from long term investments with the Church in Wales,
- Interest received is expected to rise in 2023 as rates rise with additional funds having been placed on deposit during 2022. Rental income is also expected to rise in 2023 reflecting full occupancy rather than the partial occupancy in 2022.

***Financial Results – General Fund expenditure***

The following comments are considered relevant:

- Maintenance of churches includes amongst other expenses, insurance, electricity, gas and repairs. The first three are largely fixed in nature; repairs will vary widely from year to year.
- Most churches have contracts in place for gas and electricity, but with a number of contracts expiring this year, it is inevitable that costs will rise in the second half of 2023. Early indications are that energy costs will double.
- Maintenance of other properties includes church halls and the residential property. The latter was subject to its first refurbishment for many years in 2022, and thus the overall cost is predicted to fall in 2023.
- Other expenses comprise a high volume of low value transactions to maintain services and church activities.

Overall the expectation is that whilst some costs will not recur in 2023, there are or will be rises in other costs leaving potentially little difference in annual costs of £300k or £25k per month.

***Reserves and bank balances***

Despite the loss for the year, the MA had aggregate current and deposit account balances of £370k. Although there is no formal policy regarding the holding of cash, as the closing readily available bank balances are equivalent to approx 15 months expenditure on the unrestricted reserves account, it is considered that the charity has adequate reserves to continue in operation for the foreseeable future.

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***Long term investments***

The MA had aggregate long term investments with the Church in Wales of £197k at the year-end, this value reflecting a fall in value of approx 10% compared to their 2021 year end value. The investments are held for a combination of restricted and general funds with the probability that they would be cashed in for the purposes of acquiring additional property for use by the Ministry Area or major repairs for existing buildings.

The MA owns a residential investment property, located within the Ministry Area which is let to a unrelated third party and is managed by a third party letting agent. The property was originally purchased for use as clergy accommodation within a former parish. It continues to be held either as a source of income or future use by Ministry Area clergy.

***The future***

If the MA is to reach a breakeven position, then as costs are mainly fixed or increasing, income must rise; specifically more people giving more regularly in a tax efficient manner.

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### **Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities**

Financial statements are required to be prepared for each financial year which give a true and fair view of its state of affairs at the balance sheet date and of the income and expenditure for the year then ended. These financial statements are required to be examined by independent accountants and copies made available to parishioners. In preparing these financial statements the trustees will have due regard to:

- selecting suitable accounting policies and applying them consistently making judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent observing applicable Accounting Standards
- preparing the financial statements on a going concern basis

The trustees, who are also members of the Ministry Area Council are responsible also for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy the financial position of the Garth Ministry Area and for safeguarding its assets.

The above report has been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice – Accounting and Reporting by Charities.

Approved by The Ministry Area Council on 13<sup>th</sup> September 2023 and signed on its behalf by:

Reverend S H Birdsall  
Ministry Area Leader

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**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE GARTH  
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I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2022 which are set out on pages 21 to 26.

**Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner**

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of The Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by The Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

**Basis of Independent Examiner's Report**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by The Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a true and fair view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

**Independent Examiner's Statement**

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act

have not been met; or to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signature:.....

Date: 14<sup>th</sup> September 2023

Name: Mr Robert Hugh

Qualification: BSc., FCA

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022**

	Notes	Unrestricted £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	This Year Total £	Last Year Total £
<b>INCOMING RESOURCES</b>							
<b>Voluntary resources</b>							
Direct giving: Planned		107,422				107,422	41,175
Church collections		26,434				26,434	5,608
Indirect giving : Tax refunds		35,226				35,226	9,948
<b>Activities for generating funds</b>							
Fees		18,251				18,251	6,182
Fund raising		18,238				18,238	2,229
Special collections		110				110	166
Miscellaneous income		4,822				4,822	1,162
Church Hall and other property income		33,160				33,160	14,145
Donations and legacies		9,371		3,938		13,309	9,199
<b>Investment income</b>							
Interest received		2,344				2,344	4
Common Investment Fund		1,681	586	1,085		3,352	559
<b>Other incoming resources</b>							
Grants from DBF		17,270		10,536		27,805	19,302
Ministry Area rebate		11,448				11,448	2,864
<b>Total Incoming resources</b>		<b>285,779</b>	<b>586</b>	<b>15,558</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>301,923</b>	<b>112,543</b>
<b>Outgoing resources expended for the promotion of the mission of the Church in the Parish</b>							
Maintenance of Ministry	4	174,092				174,092	59,319
Parochial expenses of Clerics		6,602				6,602	86
Maintenance of services		19,126		540		19,666	16,617
General church expenses	5	11,246				11,246	3,840
Maintenance of Churches		49,420	4,578	40,294		94,292	12,989
Maintenance of halls and other property		35,707		1,620		37,327	15,971
Missions Home	6a	2,909		5,691		8,600	4,285
World	6b	6,134				6,134	2,000
Costs of fund raising		2,757				2,757	0
<b>Total Outgoing resources</b>		<b>307,993</b>	<b>4,578</b>	<b>48,145</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>360,716</b>	<b>115,107</b>
<b>Net incoming/(outgoing) resources before transfers</b>		<b>(22,214)</b>	<b>(3,993)</b>	<b>(32,587)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(58,794)</b>	<b>(2,564)</b>
Transfer between funds		1,468	(1,468)	0	0	0	0
Unrealised gains/(losses) on revaluation of:							
Investments		(13,215)	(3,449)	(6,391)		(23,055)	4,248
Investment property				175,000		175,000	149,500
<b>Net increase/(decrease) in funds</b>		<b>(33,961)</b>	<b>(8,910)</b>	<b>136,022</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>93,151</b>	<b>151,184</b>
Fund balances brought forward at 1st January		565,110	33,737	0	0	598,847	447,663
Fund balances introduced on creation of Ministry Area at 1 January 2022		323,514	36,555	174,580	0	534,649	0
<b>Fund balances carried forward at 31 December</b>		<b>854,662</b>	<b>61,382</b>	<b>310,603</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,226,647</b>	<b>598,847</b>

## BALANCE SHEET AT 31 DECEMBER 2022

	Notes	This Year £	Last Year £
<b>Fixed assets</b>			
Tangible assets	7	246,265	481,615
Investments	8	606,635	58,972
<b>Total of Fixed Assets</b>		<b>852,900</b>	<b>540,587</b>
<b>Current assets</b>			
Debtors	9	31,419	5,480
Cash at bank & in hand		371,368	55,784
		<b>402,786</b>	<b>61,264</b>
<b>Creditors falling due within one year</b>	10	<b>29,039</b>	<b>3,004</b>
<b>Net Current Assets</b>		<b>373,747</b>	<b>58,260</b>
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>		<b>1,226,647</b>	<b>598,847</b>
<b>TOTAL NET ASSETS</b>	12	<b>1,226,647</b>	<b>598,847</b>
<b>Income funds</b>			
Unrestricted: Ordinary	13	854,662	415,610
Designated	13	61,382	33,737
Restricted	13	310,603	
Revaluation reserve	11		149,500
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>		<b>1,226,647</b>	<b>598,847</b>

Approved by The Ministry Area Council on 13 September 2023

and signed on its behalf by:

..... Reverend SH Birdsall (Ministry Area Leader)

..... Mr M Gill (Ministry Area Treasurer)

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
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**1. Accounting Policies**

The Financial Statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable United Kingdom accounting standards, the "Statement of Recommended Practice" issued by the Charity Commissioners and the Church in Wales Accounting Regulations.

The historical cost convention is used as modified to include the revaluation of investments.

The accruals basis of accounting has been adopted.

The principal accounting policies are applied consistently.

**a. Fixed assets**

**Freehold property:** Churches, Churchyards and Vicarages are vested in the Representative Body of the Church in Wales; such property forms no part of the assets of the Ministry Area. Moveable Church contents require a faculty for disposal so are considered to be inalienable property and are not valued, nor recognised on the Balance Sheet. Expenditure incurred on Churches (including contents), Churchyards and Vicarages is written off when incurred.

Other freehold land and buildings are held in trust for the Ministry Area by either the Representative Body or the Llandaff Diocesan Board of Finance

The basis for valuation of other freehold land and buildings is :

Church Halls are stated at cost

Freehold property not used for church purposes is stated at valuation

No provision for depreciation of land and buildings is made.

Routine additions and replacements to Church Hall contents are charged to current expenditure.

**b. Funds**

**Unrestricted funds:** are general funds which can be used for ordinary purposes.

**Designated funds:** are funds which have been set aside for specific purposes but which can be returned to the general fund at any time if the trustees so decide.

**Restricted funds:** represent income from trusts or endowments which may be expended only on those restricted objects provided in the terms of the trust or bequest. Any balance remaining unspent at the end of each year must be carried forward as a balance on that fund.

**c. Incoming resources:**

these are all accounted for gross.

Planned giving, collections and donations are recognised when received.

Indirect giving: Tax refunds are recognised as soon as the amounts are claimable.

Grants and Legacies are accounted for when the Ministry Area is legally entitled to the amounts due.

Investment income: Dividends are accounted for when receivable; interest and tax recoverable are accrued. Where the Ministry Area has not invested separately for each fund interest is apportioned to individual funds on an average balance basis.

All other income is generally recognised when it is receivable.

**d. Outgoing resources**

Ministry Area Fair share is paid in periodic instalments and is included in expenditure for the year to which it relates.

All other expenditure is generally recognised when it is incurred.

**e. Investments**

Investments are stated at valuation as advised by the Church in Wales.

**2. Fees for Financial Statements Examination**

<b>This Year</b>	<i>Last Year</i>
£	£
<b>2,400</b>	<i>970</i>

Independent examiner's fees for reporting on the Financial Statements

**3. Number of employees.**

There are four paid employees. No payments were made to MAC members.

	Unrestricted £	Designated £	Restricted £	<b>This Year</b> £	<i>Last Year</i> £
<b>4 Maintenance of ministry:</b>					
Diocesan Fair Share	171,596			<b>171,596</b>	<i>57,422</i>
Other expenses	2,496			<b>2,496</b>	<i>1,897</i>
				<b>0</b>	<i>0</i>
				<b>0</b>	<i>0</i>
				<b>0</b>	<i>0</i>
	<b>174,092</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>174,092</b>	<i>59,319</i>

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	Unrestricted £	Designated £	Restricted £	This Year £	Last Year £
<b>5 General Parish Expenses:</b>					
Examiner's fees	2,400			2,400	970
Payroll and other professional fess	1,468			1,468	426
Bank charges and interest paid	112			112	350
Depreciation	350			350	410
Printing postage and stationery	2,425			2,425	-
Office and general expenditure	4,491			4,491	-
Donations				-	1,298
Children and youg people activity costs				-	163
	<b>11,246</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>11,246</b>	<b>3,840</b>
<b>6a Payments to Ministry Area missions:</b>					
Children and young people activity costs	466			466	-
Cost of church publications	1,743			1,743	-
Other mission work	700			700	-
Danescourt Primary School				-	1,000
Bryn Deri Primary School				-	1,000
Radyr Primary School				-	1,000
Radyr Comprehensive School				-	1,000
Cardiff Food Bank				-	115
RCSM				-	110
Syrian Refugees: 1 Family Cardiff			5,691	5,691	60
	<b>2,909</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>5,691</b>	<b>8,600</b>	<b>4,285</b>
<b>6b Missions and Grants Home/World</b>					
UK Charities	3,830			3,830	0
International mission and projects	2,304			2,304	0
Christian Aid				-	2,000
	<b>6,134</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>6,134</b>	<b>2,000</b>
<b>Total Missions</b>	<b>9,043</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5,691</b>	<b>14,734</b>	<b>6,285</b>
<b>7 Tangible Fixed Assets</b>					
		Freehold property £	Fixtures & fittings £	This Year £	Last Year £
Cost or valuation:	Balance 1st January 2022	480,914	2,214	483,128	333,628
	Additions			0	0
	Reclassification	(235,000)		(235,000)	0
	Revaluation			0	0
	Disposals			0	0
	Balance 31 December 2022	<b>245,914</b>	<b>2,214</b>	<b>248,128</b>	<b>333,628</b>
Accumulated depreciation	Balance 1st January 2022	0	1,513	1,513	813
	On disposals			0	0
	Charge for the year		350	350	350
	Eliminated on disposals			0	0
Accumulated depreciation	Balance 31 December 2022	<b>0</b>	<b>1,863</b>	<b>1,863</b>	<b>1,163</b>
Net book value:	Balance 31 December 2022	<b>245,914</b>	<b>351</b>	<b>246,265</b>	<b>332,465</b>
	Balance 31 December 2021	<b>480,914</b>	<b>701</b>	<b>481,615</b>	<b>332,815</b>

Freehold Property at 31 December 2022 comprises church halls at cost.

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<b>8 Investments</b>	Investment Properties	Other investments	<b>This Year</b>	<i>Last Year</i>
At valuation:	£	£	£	£
Balance 1 January 2022		58,972	<b>58,972</b>	29,726
Fund balances introduced on creation of Ministry Area at 1 January 2022		160,718	<b>160,718</b>	0
Reclassification	235,000		<b>235,000</b>	
Additions			<b>0</b>	25,000
Unrealised (defecit)/gain on revaluation of investments	175,000	(23,055)	<b>151,945</b>	4,246
Balance 31 December 2022	<b>410,000</b>	<b>196,635</b>	<b>606,635</b>	<b>58,972</b>

Investment Properties comprise  
Residential Investment Property  
Agricultural land

At valuation
235,000
175,000
<u>410,000</u>

The market value of the residential investment property has been assessed by the Trustees following the receipt of independent advice.

Investment properties are held by The Representative Body of the Church in Wales on behalf of The Garth Ministry Area.

Other Investments represents shares in the Common Investment Fund held by The Representative Body of the Church in Wales on behalf of The Garth Ministry Area.

**9 Debtors**

Income tax recoverable	<b>11,606</b>	492
Diocesan Fair Share Rebate	<b>13,401</b>	2,864
Other debtors and prepayments	<b>6,412</b>	2,124
	<b>31,419</b>	<b>5,480</b>

**10 Creditors falling due within one year**

Other creditors and accrued expenses	<b>29,039</b>	3,004
	<b>29,039</b>	<b>3,004</b>

**11 Revaluation reserve**

At 31st December 2021	<b>149,500</b>	0
Transfer to unrestricted fund	<b>(149,500)</b>	0
Arising from revaluation of investment property	<b>0</b>	149,500
At 31st December 2022	<b>0</b>	<b>149,500</b>

**Analysis of Net**  
**12 Assets by Fund**

	Unrestricted £	Designated £	Restricted £	<b>This Year</b> £
At 31 December 2022				
Tangible assets	246,265			246,265
Investments	347,716	29,418	229,501	606,635
Debtors	31,419			31,419
Cash at Bank and in Hand	257,224	31,693	82,450	371,367
	<u>882,623</u>	<u>61,111</u>	<u>311,952</u>	<u>1,255,686</u>
Creditors amounts falling due within one year	<b>(36,217)</b>	<b>(599)</b>	<b>(2,224)</b>	<b>(39,039)</b>
	<u>846,406</u>	<u>60,512</u>	<u>309,728</u>	<u>1,216,647</u>
At 31 December 2021	£	£	£	<b>Last Year</b> £
Tangible assets	481,615			481,615
Investments	26,105	32,867		58,972
Debtors	5,480			5,480
Cash at Bank and in Hand	54,914	870		55,784
	<u>568,114</u>	<u>33,737</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>601,851</u>
Creditors amounts falling due within one year	<b>(3,004)</b>			<b>(3,004)</b>
	<u>565,110</u>	<u>33,737</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>598,847</u>

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Note 13: Movement in Reserves

		Fund balances brought forward	Fund balances brought forward	Incoming Resources	Outgoing Resources	Transfers between Funds	Revaluation of Investments	Revaluation of land	Fund balances carried forward
		31 December 2021	31 December 2021						31 December 2022
	Church	Radyr PCC	Other parishes						
General unrestricted fund	All churches combined	565,110	321,576	287,716	(307,993)	1,468	(13,215)	0	854,663
<b>Designated Funds:</b>									
Fabric Repairs	Christ Church, Radyr	33,737		586		870	(3,449)		31,743
Incumbent Fees for internal expenditure	St Marys, St Fagans		4,516		(4,578)	62			0
Legacies For Internal Expenditure	St Marys, St Fagans		11,964			(2,400)			9,564
Restoration And Heating Fund	St Mary and James, Taffs Well		9,639						9,639
DBF re Sale Of Land	St Mary and James, Taffs Well:		10,436						10,436
Sub-total: Designated Funds		33,737	36,555	586	(4,578)	(1,468)	(3,449)	0	61,382
<b>Restricted Funds:</b>									
1 Family Cardiff			874	4,316	(5,691)				(501)
St Davids Churchyard	St David, Groesfaen		9,178	164			(963)		8,378
COIF	St Ellteyrn, Capel Llanilltern		45,866	817			(4,813)		41,870
Davies Dec'd Legacy	St Ellteyrn, Capel Llanilltern		32,000	1,938					33,938
Land adj to St Ellteyrns, Capel Llanillterm	St Ellteyrn, Capel Llanilltern							175,000	175,000
GM Jones Dec'd Legacy	St John the Baptist, Danescourt			2,000	(540)				1,460
Earl Of Plymouth	St Marys, St Fagans		72,773	6,219	(40,294)				38,698
St Mary's Churchyard Fund - The Forrest Family	St Marys, St Fagans		7,843		(1,620)				6,223
The Honorable G Lewis Memorial Fund	St Marys, St Fagans		6,046	104			(615)		5,535
Sub-total: Restricted Funds		0	174,580	15,558	(48,145)	0	(6,391)	175,000	310,603
<b>Total for all funds</b>		<b>598,847</b>	<b>532,711</b>	<b>303,860</b>	<b>(360,716)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(23,055)</b>	<b>175,000</b>	<b>1,226,648</b>

**The Garth Ministry Area**

England & Wales - Charity number 1132144

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REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1132144

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**THE GARTH MINISTRY AREA**

(Formerly Radyr Parochial Church Council)

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021**

**THE GARTH MINISTRY AREA**

**REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1132144**

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**TRUSTEES' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021**

The Ministry Area is situated in RADYR (for 2021 only; from 1 January 2022:  
Pentyrch, Radyr, St Fagans & Tongwynlais)  
within the Area Deanery of LLANDAFF  
which is part of the Diocese of LLANDAFF within the Church in Wales.

The dedication of the Ministry Area for the year under review and their locations are:  
Christ Church, Heol Isaf, Radyr, Cardiff  
The Parish Church of St John Baptist, Danescourt, Cardiff

It was the responsibility of both the Parochial Church Council (PCC) and the Incumbent to work together and co-operate in all matters of concern and importance to the parish for the promotion of the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical in the parish.

On 1st January 2022 Radyr Parochial Church Council changed its name to The Garth Ministry Area. In addition on 1st January 2022, the Ministry Area absorbed the following parishes:  
The Parish of Pentyrch  
The Parish of St Fagans and Michaelston-Super-Ely  
The Parish of Tongwynlais

Names and addresses of:

Incumbent Reverend Steven Willson, The Vicarage, Church Rd, Pentyrch, Cardiff. CF15 9QF  
Independent Examiner Mr Robert Hugh, Robert Hugh Ltd, 15 Dan y Bryn Avenue, Radyr, Cardiff CF15 8DD  
Bankers Natwest Bank, 277 Cowbridge Road East, Canton, Cardiff CF5 1WX  
The Cooperative Bank, PO Box 250, Skelmersdale, Lancashire, WN8 6WT  
Architect Caroe & Partners, Market Place, Wells, Somerset, BA5 2RB

The trustees, who are also members of the PCC, during the financial year were as follows.

Clergy Reverend V Burrows (retired 17 April 2022)  
Reverend B Huxtable-Goy  
Reverend S Willson (from 28 March 2022)

Lay Chair John Kiff

Ministry Area Wardens Andrew Dodd (appointed 23 January 2022)  
Paul Marshall (appointed 23 January 2022)  
Margaret Smart (retired 23 January 2022)  
Cheryl Evans (retired 23 January 2022)

Elected Members  
*Ministry Area Secretary* Margaret Jones (appointed 23 January 2022)  
Nick Hawkins (retired 23 January 2022)

*Ministry Area Treasurer* Michael Gill (appointed 23 January 2022)  
Robert Williams (retired as Trustee 23 January 2022)

*Gift Aid Sec.* Julie Davies (retired as Trustee 23 January 2022)

*Other* Amanda Russell-Jones  
Michael Edwards (appointed 23 January 2022)  
Rosalind James (appointed 23 January 2022)  
Geoffery Moses (appointed 23 January 2022)  
Paul Owens (appointed 23 January 2022)  
Rubina Davison (Sub Warden)(retired 23 January 2022)  
Pauline Parry (Sub Warden)(retired 23 January 2022)  
Malcolm May (Sub Warden)(retired 23 January 2022)  
Nicola Webber (retired 23 January 2022)  
Mary Cooksley (retired 23 January 2022)

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*Other (cont.)*

Sally Morgan (retired 23 January 2022)  
Derek Bateman (retired 23 January 2022)  
Rhys James (retired 23 January 2022)  
Delyth Fagan (retired 23 January 2022)  
Luke Whitlock (retired 23 January 2022)

Members on Parish Electoral Roll	141	(2019	252	)
Easter communicants were :	nil	(2020	nil	)
Christmas communicants were :	104	(2020	142	)
Average weekly attendee figure :	Not recorded	(2020	not recorded	)

The PCC operated through a number of committees that meet between full council meetings. The work and achievements of these Committees are as follows.

**Building Committee**

The pandemic has restricted some work although ongoing maintenance work by the committee and volunteers ensure the buildings, halls and grounds are kept in good order. The annual requirements of fire equipment check, PAT testing, heating system servicing and clearance of high level gutters on all properties have all been completed. The central heating boiler at Christchurch was replaced in 2020 following an inability to repair the old boiler. The lightning conductor at Christchurch passed its three-year checks without problems. The five year Electrical check is next due in 2025.

The pandemic has restricted the access our community has to services and an audio-visual system has been installed in Christchurch to enable our services to be streamed to a wider audience. Simon Davison has been instrumental in setting up the system and its support and in addition to our regular services we can now stream or record services such as funerals and weddings.

High winds during the year and the proximity of trees in the St Johns graveyard caused some damage to the Parish hall roof in January 2021 and December 2021 which was quickly repaired. Quotes have been agreed for quinquennial work on the roof of the Christchurch bell tower to be completed in the first half of 2022.

**Proceedings of PCC and Activities in the Parish**

The PCC Held nine meetings in 2021, including the Annual Vestry Meeting. All were conducted via Zoom. Major points of note were as follows.

1. As reported in the above sub-committee report.
2. The pandemic continued to have a significant impact on Parish activities in 2021.

All services were conducted via Zoom until May, when services restarted in church in a phased manner. Our halls also reopened at the same time, albeit with very restricted access in line with Church in Wales Guidelines.

A camera system was installed in Christ Church in April which allowed services to be recorded and placed on a dedicated Parish YouTube channel. This eventually progressed to the live streaming of the main services, thanks to notable work done by Simon Davison.

3. Many activities remained cancelled but it was possible to run a (limited) Autumn Fete. As reported in 2020, with the help of Diocesan grants, Parish finances largely held up. The Remembrance Sunday service returned to church, as did all the normal Christmas services.
4. Progress continued on establishing a new Radyr Good Neighbours Scheme with success in agreeing a constitution and registration as a Charity.

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5. A lot of the work within the PCC concerned the transition to the Garth Ministry Area. (comprising the Parishes of Radyr, St Fagans and Michaelston-super-Ely, Tongwynlais, and Pentyrch and Capel Llanilltern), with Reverend Burrows as the designated Ministry Area leader. On 12th May 2021 the PCC passed a resolution to agree that this transition could take place and the Parish Assets transferred to the Ministry Area on the date that the Bishop sealed the decree uniting the parishes. This happened on 1st January 2022 and the PCC was formally dissolved on that date.

**Public Benefit**

We have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing our aims and objectives and in planning future activities. The benefit to the public is a feeling of spiritual stability and freedom within the Parish for the benefit of all God's people. This is exercised through the provision of regular public worship and pastoral work, including visiting the sick and bereaved; the teaching of Christianity through sermons and small groups, and the taking of assemblies in local schools; the promotion of Christianity through staging special services. Both churches have a hall where activities take place for older people, uniformed organisations for young people, and other groups for people of all ages. During the year the corona virus pandemic has impacted upon these activities.

**Treasurer's Report**

The accounts show a deficit of £2,564 representing a decrease of £15,446 from the surplus of the previous year of £12,882. In addition to this, there is an unrealised surplus on the revaluation of the Common Investment Fund shares of £4,248.

The deficit for the year includes covid-19 grant income and covid-19 Fair Share Support Rebates totalling £19,302 (2020 £22,510) from the Diocesan Board of Finance and £nil (2020 £734) from the Job Retention Support Grant.

Without this support income there would have been a deficit of £21,866 (2020 £10,362) for the year, subject to any affect that non-receipt would have had on expenses.

During the year under review £2,000 was donated to Christian Aid

No provision for any additional end of year mission payments have been made in these financial statements due to the ongoing impact of covid-19 on the charity's finances.

Key features are as follows:

The largest item of expenditure is the annual commitment to the Diocesan funds. The commitment is calculated based on average attendees during the previous year. The total amount paid in the year was £54,558 (2020 £53,321). Total expenditure increased from £102,807 to £112,243.

There are no exceptional or non recurring items of expenditure to be disclosed.

Liquid reserves excluding freehold property and investments stood at £58,260 at the year end (2020 £85,472). The reduction reflects the transfer of £25,000 from bank balances to an additional investment in the Common Investment Fund.

The investment of £58,972 (2020 £29,726) on the balance sheet and explained under note 7 is in part included in the designated fund of £33,737 (2020 £30,037). This investment represents shares in the Common Investment Fund held by the Representative Body of the Church in Wales on behalf of the Parish of Radyr. The original investment is effectively matched by an Unrestricted Designated Fund and the additional investment made in 2021 is attributable to the Unrestricted Ordinary Fund.

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE GARTH MINISTRY AREA**

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2021 which are set out on pages 6 to 10.

**Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner**

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of The Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by The Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

**Basis of Independent Examiner's Report**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by The Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair view" and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

**Independent Examiner's Statement**

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- 1 which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements:
  - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Acthave not been met; or
- 2 to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signature:

Date: 10-Aug-22

Name: Mr Robert Hugh

Qualification: BSc., FCA

Address: 15 Dan y Bryn Avenue  
Radyr  
Cardiff  
CF15 8DD



**TRUSTEES' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
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**Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities**

Financial statements are required to be prepared for each financial year which give a true and fair view of its state of affairs at the balance sheet date and of the income and expenditure for the year then ended. These financial statements are required to be examined by independent accountants and copies made available to parishioners. In preparing these financial statements the trustees will have due regard to:

- selecting suitable accounting policies and applying them consistently
- making judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- observing applicable Accounting Standards
- preparing the financial statements on a going concern basis

The trustees (who are members of the Parochial Church Council) are responsible also for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy the financial position of the Parish of Radyr and for safeguarding its assets.

The above report has been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice - Accounting and Reporting by Charities.

Approved by The Ministry Area Council on 26 July 2022 and signed on its behalf by

Reverend S Willson  
**Ministry Area Leader**

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021**

	Notes	Unrestricted £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	This Year Total £	Last Year Total £
<b>INCOMING RESOURCES</b>							
<b>Voluntary resources</b>							
Direct giving: Planned		41,175				41,175	36,835
Church collections		5,608				5,608	9,809
Indirect giving : Tax refunds		9,948				9,948	11,614
<b>Activities for generating funds</b>							
Fundraising		2,229				2,229	10,690
Special collections		166				166	429
Miscellaneous income	5	7,344				7,344	1,573
Church Hall / property income		14,145				14,145	14,705
Donations and legacies		9,199				9,199	6,418
<b>Investment income</b>							
Interest received		4				4	372
Common Investment Fund			559			559	-
<b>Other incoming resources</b>							
Grants from DBF		19,302				19,302	22,510
JRS grant		-				-	734
<b>Total Incoming resources</b>		<b>109,120</b>	<b>559</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>109,679</b>	<b>115,689</b>
<b>Outgoing resources expended for the promotion of the mission of the Church in the Parish</b>							
Missions Home	4	4,285				4,285	142
World	4	2,000				2,000	-
Maintenance of Ministry	5	56,455				56,455	56,359
Maintenance of Churches		12,989				12,989	21,555
Maintenance of services		16,617				16,617	11,219
Parochial expenses of Clerics		86				86	643
General Parish expenses	5	3,840				3,840	4,268
Maintenance of halls / property		15,971				15,971	8,621
<b>Total Outgoing resources</b>		<b>112,243</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>112,243</b>	<b>102,807</b>
<b>Net incoming/(outgoing) resources before transfers</b>		<b>(3,123)</b>	<b>559.00</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(2,564)</b>	<b>12,882</b>
Transfer between funds		-	-	-	-	-	-
Unrealised gain on revaluations: of investments		1,107	3,141		-	4,248	3,945
of investment property		149,500				149,500	-
<b>Net increase/(decrease) in funds</b>		<b>147,484</b>	<b>3,700</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>151,184</b>	<b>16,827</b>
Fund balances b/f at 1st January		417,626	30,037		-	447,663	430,836
Transfer to revaluation reserve	10	(149,500)				(149,500)	0
<b>Fund balances carried forward at 31 December</b>		<b>415,610</b>	<b>33,737</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>449,347</b>	<b>447,663</b>

## BALANCE SHEET AT 31 DECEMBER 2021

	Notes	This Year £	Last Year £
<b>Fixed assets</b>			
Tangible assets	6	481,615	332,465
Investments	7	58,972	29,726
<b>Total of Fixed Assets</b>		<b>540,587</b>	<b>362,191</b>
<b>Current assets</b>			
Debtors and stocks	8	5,480	8,457
Cash at bank & in hand		55,784	82,459
		<b>61,264</b>	<b>90,916</b>
<b>Creditors falling due within one year</b>	9	<b>3,004</b>	<b>5,444</b>
<b>Net Current Assets</b>		<b>58,260</b>	<b>85,472</b>
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>		<b>598,847</b>	<b>447,663</b>
<b>Creditors falling due after one year</b>		-	-
<b>TOTAL NET ASSETS</b>		<b>598,847</b>	<b>447,663</b>
<b>Income funds</b>			
Unrestricted: Ordinary		415,610	417,626
Designated	10	33,737	30,037
Revaluation reserve	11	149,500	-
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>		<b>598,847</b>	<b>447,663</b>

Approved by The Ministry Area Council on 26 July 2022.

and signed on its behalf by

..... Reverend S Willson (Ministry Area Leader)

..... Mr M Gill (Ministry Area Treasurer)

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021**

**1. Accounting Policies**

The Financial Statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable United Kingdom accounting standards, the "Statement of Recommended Practice" issued by the Charity Commissioners and the Church in Wales Accounting Regulations. The historical cost convention is used. The accruals basis of accounting has been adopted. The principal accounting policies are applied consistently.

**a. Fixed assets**

**Freehold property:** Churches, Churchyards and Vicarages are vested in the Representative Body of the Church in Wales; such property forms no part of the assets of the Parish. Moveable Church contents require a faculty for disposal so are considered to be inalienable property and are not valued, nor recognised on the Balance Sheet. Expenditure incurred on Churches (including contents), Churchyards and Vicarages is written off when incurred.

Other freehold land and buildings are held in trust for the Parish by either the Representative Body, or the Llandaff Diocesan Board of Finance

The basis for valuation of other freehold land and buildings is :  
Church Halls are stated at cost  
Freehold property at valuation

No provision for depreciation of land and buildings is made.

Routine additions and replacements to Church Hall contents are charged to current expenditure.

**b. Funds**

**Restricted funds:** represent income from trusts or endowments which may be expended only on those restricted objects provided in the terms of the trust or bequest. Any balance remaining unspent at the end of each year must be carried forward as a balance on that fund.

**Unrestricted funds:** are general funds which can be used for PCC ordinary purposes.

**Designated funds:** are funds which have been set aside for specific purposes but which can be returned to the general fund at any time if the trustees so decide.

**c. Incoming resources:** these are all accounted for gross.

Planned giving, collections and donations are recognised when received.

Indirect giving: Tax refunds are recognised as soon as the amounts are claimable.

Grants and Legacies are accounted for when the PCC is legally entitled to the amounts due.

Investment income: Dividends are accounted for when receivable; interest and tax recoverable are accrued. Where the PCC has not invested separately for each fund interest is apportioned to individual funds on an average balance basis.

All other income is generally recognised when it is receivable.

**d. Outgoing resources**

Parish share is paid regularly and is included in expenditure for the year to which it relates.

All other expenditure is generally recognised when it is incurred.

**2. Fees for Financial Statements Examination**

	This Year £	Last Year £
Independent examiner's fees for reporting on the Financial Statements	970	1,270

**3. Number of employees.**

There are four paid employees. No payments were made to PCC members.

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This Year    Last Year  
£                    £**4 Grants****A Payments to Home missions:**

	Unrestricted £	Designated £	Restricted £	This Year £	Last Year £
Danescourt Primary School	1,000			1,000	-
Bryn Deri Primary School	1,000			1,000	-
Radyr Primary School	1,000			1,000	-
Radyr Comprehensive School	1,000			1,000	-
Cardiff Food Bank	115			115	-
RCSM	110			110	-
Syrian Refugees: 1 Family Cardiff	60			60	-
	<b>4,285</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>4,285</b>	<b>-</b>

**B Payments to World missions**

Christian Aid	2,000			2,000	-
	<b>2,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,000</b>	<b>-</b>

**C Other mission expenditure**

Magazine	-			-	142
	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>142</b>

**Total Missions**

	<b>6,285</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>6,285</b>	<b>142</b>
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**5. Analysis of resources  
incoming and expended**Unrestricted    Designated    Restricted  
£                    £                    £**A Miscellaneous Income:**

Weddings and funerals	6,182			6,182	1,290
Sundry income	1,162			1,162	283
	<b>7,344</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>7,344</b>	<b>1,573</b>

**B Maintenance of ministry:**

Parish Share	54,558			54,558	53,321
Other	1,897			1,897	3,038
	<b>56,455</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>56,455</b>	<b>56,359</b>

**C General Parish Expenses:**

Examiner's fee	970			970	1,270
Bank charges and interest paid	426			426	503
Depreciation	350			350	350
Payroll fees	410			410	372
Donations	-			-	46
Sundry expenditure	1,298			1,298	503
Sunday School	223			223	189
Bumps a Daisy	163			163	-
Fundraising expense	-			-	1,035
	<b>3,840</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3,840</b>	<b>4,268</b>

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			This Year	Last Year
			£	£
<b>6. Tangible fixed assets</b>				
Cost or valuation:				
	Balance 1st January	2021	333,628	333,628
	Additions during year		0	-
	Revaluation in the year		149,500	-
	Disposals during year		0	-
	Balance 31 December	2021	<b>483,128</b>	<b>333,628</b>
Accumulated depn.	Balance 1st January	2021	1,163	813
	Charge for the year		350	350
	On disposals		-	-
	Balance 31 December	2021	<b>1,513</b>	<b>1,163</b>
Net book value:	Balance 31 December	2021	<b>481,615</b>	<b>332,465</b>
	Balance 31 December	2020	<b>332,465</b>	<b>332,815</b>
Freehold Property comprises:				
	Church Halls at cost		245,914	
	Residential investment property at valuation		235,000	
			<b>480,914</b>	

The market value of the residential investment property has been assessed by the Trustees following the receipt of independent advice.

		This Year	Last Year
		£	£
<b>7. Investments</b>			
At valuation:			
	Balance 1 January 2021	29,726	25,759
	Additions	25,000	-
	Unrealised gain on revaluation of investments	4,246	3,945
	Interest received during the year	-	22
	Balance 31 December 2021	<b>58,972</b>	<b>29,726</b>

The investment represents shares in the Common Investment Fund held by The Representative Body of the Church in Wales on behalf of The Garth Ministry Area

<b>8. Debtors</b>			
	Stocks		37
	Income tax recoverable	492	1,416
	Parish Share Rebate	2,864	2,806
	Other	2,124	4,198
		<b>5,480</b>	<b>8,457</b>
<b>9. Creditors falling due within one year</b>			
	Rent Bond		500
	Other	3,004	4,944
		<b>3,004</b>	<b>5,444</b>

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			This Year	Last Year
			£	£
<b>6. Tangible fixed assets</b>				
		Freehold property £		Fixtures & fittings £
Cost or valuation:	Balance 1st January 2021	331,414	333,628	333,628
	Additions during year	-	0	-
	Revaluation in the year	149,500	149,500	-
	Disposals during year	-	0	-
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**The Garth Ministry Area**

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PARISH OF RADYR, CARDIFF

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

PARISH OF RADYR

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**TRUSTEES' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
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The Parish is situated in RADYR  
within the Area Deanery of LLANDAFF  
which is part of the Diocese of LLANDAFF within the Church in Wales.

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Names and addresses of:

Incumbent Reverend V Burrows, The Rectory, Rectory Close, Heol Isaf, Radyr, Cardiff  
Independent Examiner Mr Robert Hugh, Robert Hugh Ltd, 15 Dan y Bryn Avenue, Radyr, Cardiff CF15 8DD  
Bankers Natwest Bank, 277 Cowbridge Road East, Canton, Cardiff CF5 1WX  
Architect Caroe & Partners, Market Place, Wells, Somerset, BA5 2RB

The trustees, who are also members of the PCC, during the financial year were as follows.

Clergy	Reverend V Burrows Reverend Belinda Huxtable-goy (from 21.07.2020)	
Church Wardens	Margaret Smart Cheryl Evans	
Elected Members		
<i>Secretary</i>	Nick Hawkins	
<i>Treasurer</i>	Robert Williams	
<i>Gift Aid Sec.</i>	Julie Davies	
<i>Other</i>	Peter Umbleja (retired 11.11.2020) Derek Bateman Nonnita Williams (retired 11.11.2020) Rhys James Delyth Fagan John Kiff Luke Whitlock (from 11.11.2020)	Rubina Davison (Sub Warden) Pauline Parry (Sub Warden) Malcolm May (Sub Warden) Nicola Webber Mary Cooksley (from 11.11.2020) Sally Morgan (from 11.11.2020) Amanda Russell-Jones (from 11.11.2020)

Members on Parish Electoral Roll		<b>230</b> (last year	:	243	)
Easter communicants were :	Churches closed	<b>Nil</b> (previous year	:	185	)
Christmas communicants were :		<b>142</b> (previous year	:	206	)
Average weekly attendee figure :	Not recorded	(last year	:	121	)

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The PCC operates through a number of committees that meet between full council meetings. The work and achievements of these Committees are as follows.

**Building Committee**

The Quinquennial report estimated a spend of around £50k during the five years across the parish. However, the lockdown and reduced cashflow implications of corona virus has forced us to concentrate only on essential work and necessary checks during 2020. Therefore all the annual checks and the five year electrical check have all been completed. Because of its age and inability to replace parts, the Christ Church boiler was condemned and a replacement fitted in October 2020. The parish hall roof suffers from its close location to conifer trees and this year we completed cleaning and treatment of the roof to prevent potential damage. Ongoing maintenance work by the committee and volunteers aim to ensure the buildings, halls, and grounds are otherwise kept in good order.

**Proceedings of PCC and activities in the Parish**

The PCC held six meetings in 2020, including the Annual Vestry Meeting. Two of these were held in the Rectory, one in the grounds of Christ Church and the other three on Zoom. Major points of note were as follows.

1. As reported in the above sub-committee report.
2. The pandemic had a significant impact on Parish activities in 2020. In March our churches and church halls were closed and new ways of working and spreading the Gospel had to be invented. Services were recorded on YouTube, weekly electronic newsletters were established and a Parish email distribution list set up. Zoom services were established for younger people. When, later, it was possible to resume some internal services and facilities, detailed risk assessments had to be prepared under Church in Wales Guidelines to demonstrate safe working.
3. It follows that a number of activities were cancelled. Having just initiated a series of concerts ('Concerts@christchurch') aimed at involving young musicians and raising money for charities, they had to be abandoned. The usual Summer and Autumn Fetes could not be held. Progress on implementing the newly defined 'Parish Vision' were put on hold and our work on welcoming a Syrian family to the Diocese was significantly delayed. Nevertheless, with the help of Diocesan grants, Parish finances largely held up.
4. Technically, the planned 2020 revision of the Electoral Roll had to be abandoned.
5. On the plus side, we were pleased to welcome Reverend Belinda Huxtable to the Parish as a Curate in Training. She was ordained on 27 June 2020. Progress was also continued on establishing a new Good Neighbours Scheme.
6. On 16 September 2020, our Vicar, Reverend Vicki Burrows, was inducted to the Parish of St Fagans thus giving her responsibility for the running of two Parishes.
7. Work continued towards the formation of the new Ministry Area (comprising the Parishes of Radyr, St Fagans and Michaelston-super-Ely, Tongwynlais and Pentyrch and Capel Llanilltern), for which Reverend Burrows is the designated Ministry Area leader.

**Public Benefit**

We have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing our aims and objectives and in planning future activities. The benefit to the public is a feeling of spiritual stability and freedom within the Parish for the benefit of all God's people. This is exercised through the provision of regular public worship and pastoral work, including visiting the sick and bereaved; the teaching of Christianity through sermons and small groups, and the taking of assemblies in local schools; the promotion of Christianity through staging special services. Both churches have a hall where activities take place for older people, uniformed organisations for young people, and other groups for people of all ages. During the year the corona virus pandemic has impacted upon these activities.

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**Treasurer's Report**

The accounts show a surplus of £12,882 representing an increase of £4,872 from the surplus of the previous year of £8,010. In addition to this, there is an unrealised surplus on the revaluation of the Common Investment Fund shares of £3,945.

The surplus for the year includes covid-19 grant income and covid-19 Fair Share Support Rebates totalling £22,510 from the Diocesan Board of Finance and £734 from the Job Retention Support Grant.

Without this support income there would have been a deficit of £10,362 for the year, subject to any affect that non-receipt would have had on expenses.

No provision for end of year mission payments were made at the time due to the uncertain effects of covid-19 on Parish finances.

Key features are as follows.

Our largest item of expenditure is our annual commitment to the Diocesan funds. The commitment is calculated based on average attendees during the previous year. The total amount paid in the year was £53,321 (2019: £51,434). Total expenditure decreased from £104,088 to £102,807. Non recurring items of expenditure included the replacement of the heating boiler at Churchchurch costing £5,998.

Our liquid reserves excluding freehold property stood at £85,472 at the year end (2019: £72,262).

The investment of £29,726 on the balance sheet and explained under note 7 is included in the designated fund of £30,037. This investment represents shares in the Common Investment Fund held by the Representative Body of the Church in Wales on behalf of the Parish of Radyr.

**Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities**

Financial statements are required to be prepared for each financial year which give a true and fair view of its state of affairs at the balance sheet date and of the income and expenditure for the year then ended. These financial statements are required to be examined by independent accountants and copies made available to parishioners. In preparing these financial statements the trustees will have due regard to:

- selecting suitable accounting policies and applying them consistently
- making judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- observing applicable Accounting Standards
- preparing the financial statements on a going concern basis

The trustees (who are members of the Parochial Church Council) are responsible also for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy the financial position of the Parish of Radyr and for safeguarding its assets.

The above report has been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice - Accounting and Reporting by Charities.

**Approved by the Parochial Church Council on 8 September 2021 and signed on its behalf by**



Reverend V Burrows (Chair)

PARISH OF RADYR

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF RADYR PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2020 which are set out on pages 5 to 9.

**Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of The Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by The Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

**Basis of independent examiner's report**

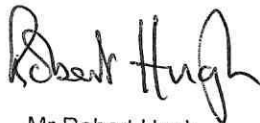
My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by The Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair view" and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

**Independent examiner's statement**

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- 1 which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements:
  - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Acthave not been met; or
- 2 to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signature:



Date:

29 September 2021

Name:

Mr Robert Hugh

Qualification:

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

	Notes	Unrestricted £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	This Year Total £	Last Year Total £
<b>INCOMING RESOURCES</b>							
<b>Voluntary resources</b>							
Direct giving: Planned		43,253				43,253	43,293
Church collections		9,809				9,809	11,909
Indirect giving : Tax refunds		11,614				11,614	12,516
<b>Activities for generating funds</b>							
Fundraising		6,941		3,749		10,690	13,384
Special collections		429				429	757
Miscellaneous income	5	1,573				1,573	6,111
Church Hall / property income		14,705				14,705	23,892
<b>Investment income</b>							
Interest received		39	333			372	236
<b>Other incoming resources</b>							
Grants from DBF		22,510				22,510	-
JRS grant		734				734	-
<b>Total Incoming resources</b>		<b>111,607</b>	<b>333</b>	<b>3,749</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>115,689</b>	<b>112,098</b>
<b>Outgoing resources expended for the promotion of the mission of the Church in the Parish</b>							
Missions Home	4	142				142	3,623
World	4	-				-	3,000
Maintenance of Ministry	5	56,359				56,359	56,202
Maintenance of Churches		17,806		3,749		21,555	12,508
Maintenance of services		11,219				11,219	9,841
Parochial expenses of Clerics		643				643	1,450
General Parish expenses	5	4,268				4,268	7,273
Maintenance of halls / property		8,621				8,621	10,191
<b>Total Outgoing resources</b>		<b>99,058</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3,749</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>102,807</b>	<b>104,088</b>
<b>Net incoming/(outgoing) resources before transfers</b>		<b>12,549</b>	<b>333.00</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>12,882</b>	<b>8,010</b>
Transfer between funds		-	-	-	-	-	-
Unrealised gain on revaluation of investments		-	3,945.00	-	-	3,945	-
<b>Net increase/(decrease) in funds</b>		<b>12,549</b>	<b>4,278</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>16,827</b>	<b>8,010</b>
Fund balances b/f at 1st January		405,077	25,759	-	-	430,836	422,826
<b>Fund balances carried forward at 31st December</b>		<b>417,626</b>	<b>30,037</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>447,663</b>	<b>430,836</b>

## BALANCE SHEET AT 31ST DECEMBER 2020

	Notes	This Year £	Last Year £
<b>Fixed assets</b>			
Tangible assets	6	332,465	332,815
Investments	7	29,726	25,759
<b>Total of Fixed Assets</b>		<b>362,191</b>	<b>358,574</b>
<b>Current assets</b>			
Debtors and stocks	8	8,457	8,613
Cash at bank & in hand		82,459	72,525
		<u>90,916</u>	<u>81,138</u>
<b>Creditors falling due within one year</b>	9	5,444	8,876
<b>Net Current Assets</b>		<b>85,472</b>	<b>72,262</b>
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>		<b>447,663</b>	<b>430,836</b>
<b>Creditors falling due after one year</b>		-	-
<b>TOTAL NET ASSETS</b>		<b>447,663</b>	<b>430,836</b>
<b>Income funds</b>			
Restricted		-	-
Unrestricted: Ordinary		417,626	405,077
Designated		30,037	25,759
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>		<b>447,663</b>	<b>430,836</b>

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on 8 September 2021.

and signed on its behalf by

Reverend V Burrows (Chair)



NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

**1. Accounting policies**

The Financial Statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable United Kingdom accounting standards, the "Statement of Recommended Practice" issued by the Charity Commissioners and the Church in Wales Accounting Regulations. The historical cost convention is used. The accruals basis of accounting has been adopted. The principal accounting policies are applied consistently.

**a. Fixed assets**

**Freehold property:** Churches, Churchyards and Vicarages are vested in the Representative Body of the Church in Wales; such property forms no part of the assets of the Parish. Moveable Church contents require a faculty for disposal so are considered to be inalienable property and are not valued, nor recognised on the Balance Sheet. Expenditure incurred on Churches (including contents), Churchyards and Vicarages is written off when incurred.

Other freehold land and buildings are held in trust for the Parish by either the Representative Body, or the Llandaff Diocesan Board of Finance

The basis for valuation of other freehold land and buildings is :

Church Halls are stated at cost

Other freehold property at cost

No provision for depreciation of land and buildings is made.

Routine additions and replacements to Church Hall contents are charged to current expenditure.

**b. Funds**

**Restricted funds:** represent income from trusts or endowments which may be expended only on those restricted objects provided in the terms of the trust or bequest. Any balance remaining unspent at the end of each year must be carried forward as a balance on that fund.

**Unrestricted funds:** are general funds which can be used for PCC ordinary purposes.

**c. Incoming resources** are all accounted for gross

Planned giving, collections and donations are recognised when received.

Indirect giving: Tax refunds are recognised as soon as the amounts are claimable.

Grants and Legacies are accounted for when the PCC is legally entitled to the amounts due.

Investment income: Dividends are accounted for when receivable; interest and tax recoverable are accrued. Where the PCC has not invested separately for each fund interest is apportioned to individual funds on an average balance basis.

All other income is generally recognised when it is receivable.

**d. Outgoing resources**

Parish share is paid regularly and is included in expenditure for the year to which it relates.

All other expenditure is generally recognised when it is incurred.

**2. Fees for Financial Statements examination/audit**

	This Year £	Last Year £
Independent examiners fees for reporting on the Financial statements	1,270	1,270

**3. There are four paid employees. No payments were made to PCC members.**

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YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

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This Year  
£ Last Year  
£

4 Grants	Unrestricted £	Designated £	Restricted £	This Year £	Last Year £
<b>A Payments to Home missions:</b>					
Friends of Tenovus	-	-	-	-	268
Friends of Llandaff Cathedral	-	-	-	-	100
Parkinson's UK	-	-	-	-	709
Royal British Legion	-	-	-	-	470
R & M Community Association	-	-	-	-	-
Danescourt Primary School	-	-	-	-	500
Bryn Deri Primary School	-	-	-	-	500
Radyr Primary School	-	-	-	-	500
Church of the Resurrection	-	-	-	-	750
St Peter's Church	-	-	-	-	750
Syrian Refugees	-	-	-	-	-
Previous years' provisions written back	-	-	-	-	1,350
	-	-	-	-	3,197
<b>B Payments to World missions</b>					
Christian Aid	-	-	-	-	3,000
	-	-	-	-	3,000
<b>C Other mission expenditure</b>					
Magazine	142	-	-	142	426
	142	-	-	142	426
<b>Total Missions</b>	142	-	-	142	6,623
<b>5. Analysis of resources incoming and expended</b>	Unrestricted £	Designated £	Restricted £		
<b>A Miscellaneous Income:</b>					
Magazine sales	-	-	-	-	425
Weddings and funerals	1,290	-	-	1,290	4,704
Sundry Income	283	-	-	283	982
	1,573	-	-	1,573	6,111
<b>B Maintenance of ministry:</b>					
Parish Share	53,321	-	-	53,321	51,434
Other	3,038	-	-	3,038	4,768
	56,359	-	-	56,359	56,202
<b>C General Parish Expenses:</b>					
Examiner's Fee	1,270	-	-	1,270	1,270
Bank charges and interest Paid	503	-	-	503	644
Depreciation	350	-	-	350	467
Payroll fees	372	-	-	372	-
Donations	46	-	-	46	-
Sundry expenditure	503	-	-	503	1,761
Sunday School	189	-	-	189	469
Fundraising expense	1,035	-	-	1,035	2,652
	4,268	-	-	4,268	7,263

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This Year  
£

Last Year  
£

6. Tangible fixed assets

		Freehold property £	Fixtures & fittings £	This Year £	Last Year £
Cost or valuation:	Balance 1st January 2020	331,414	2,214	333,628	333,628
	Additions during year	-	-	-	-
	Disposals during year	-	-	-	-
	Balance 31 December 2020	331,414	2,214	333,628	333,628
Accumulated depn.	Balance 1st January 2020	-	813	813	346
	Charge for the year	-	350	350	467
	On disposals	-	-	-	-
	Balance 31 December 2020	-	1,163	1,163	813
Net book value:	Balance 31 December 2020	331,414	1,051	332,465	332,815

7. Investments

Balance 1st January 2020	25,759	25,601
Unrealised gain on revaluation of investments	3,945	-
Interest received during the year	22	158
Balance 31st December 2020	29,726	25,759

The investment represents shares in the Common Investment Fund held by The Representative Body of the Church in Wales on behalf of the Parish of Radyr.

8. Debtors

Stocks	37	52
Income tax recoverable	1,416	3,700
Parish Share Rebate	2,806	2,707
Other	4,198	2,154
	8,457	8,613

9. Creditors falling due within one year

Donations	-	6,000
Rent Bond	500	500
Other	4,944	2,376
	5,444	8,876